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

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Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Because my dogs are well trained and behaved.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Support

Tell us why

clarity is good

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No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

So many dogs...if you mke the area off leash smaller it will be overcrowded and be safety issue. Love the current staus quo

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Please allow dogs lots of spaces...remember dogs are all shapes and sizes. Onus is on owner to train their dogs well!! Not on limiting spaces for public dog walking use.



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Tell us why

This rule will benefit the safety of not only the community but the animals as well

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Current structure and information available is out dated and does not benefit the animals, owners or the community.

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Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Currently lots of the information available is outdated and unclear.

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There are currently not a lot of dog parks or areas that are stimulating, safe and spacious for dogs. This policy should not disadvantage dogs but rather help them and owners to create safe and controlled spaces. Taking away more dog friendly parks could potentially leave owners and dogs nowhere to go. This might lead to frustration in our pets and an increase in roaming animals.

I do hope that this change will be as beneficial for pets as it would for anyone else.

Currently our dog parks have strict rules against bicycles or skateboards which people ignore causing a stressful environment. If we enforce these new rules (however helpful they might be) I would hope that all other rules in these spaces are acted on too. The lack of this might be why dog owners seek alternative spaces.

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Please keep the off lead area

This is the only space in South Auckland that provides a space for dogs.

Most dogs using this area loves the stream and to swim making a designated swim spot would be beneficial and would stop people from seeking alternatives in restricted areas.

Please do not take this area away.

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Pet owners and their pets should be able to benefit from these changes. Please take that into consideration. For lots of aucklanders pets are their family and as much a part of the community. Do not punish all dogs and dog owners for the negligence of others



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Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Auckland botanical garden

What local board area is this location in?

Manurewa

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I would support maximum of 12 Dogs on leash particularly for professional dog walkers or dog trainers but would be all on leash if walking 12 Dogs.

There could be allowances or acknowledgement for people working as dog walkers who are able to control more than 6 dogs while walking. Either via some kind of permit or licence

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1309

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Local Board: Ōtara-Papatoetoe

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Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

i walk my dog here nearly everyday as i live in the Wiri area. its such a blessing to have this space. for my and my dog to explore.

having the open space for him to run is amazing, there isnt many other off leash areas in the manukau area.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I think maximum of 7 dogs, off leash if they have been socially trained, flat means no aggressive behaviors.

My dog is pack walked twice a week because my job means I work on shifts, the walker walks 7 dogs maximum. over the 5 years she has had zero incident. She is mindful of new dogs she introduces to the pack, aggressive behavior she won't take them, naughty dogs that can be trained wear muzzles and are on leash when the dog submits to recall and socialize with others. She removes the muzzle. I know this because she did this with my dog. She very good, responsible. That's why I say 7 maximum off leash for well behaved dogs.

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

#1397

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1662

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Support

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Support

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I don't know

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

From experience, it becomes incredibly hard to properly control more dogs than 6

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Tell us why

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I support proposed amendment 1, and 3 (excluding 3f). In the summery sheet, it is clearly stated that dog ownership has increased. The Auckland Botanic gardens is one of the most popular dog parks in the city and appendix D shows the proposed off leash area as being half the size of the current area. I do not support such a dramatic reduction in size, considering your own statement of a higher dog ownership in the city. More dogs, should not equal less exercise space.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

All new proposals are to reduce dog access to areas with no proposals to create new dog friendly spaces. I feel this contradicts the mission statements of "keeping dogs a positive part of the life of Aucklanders" and "ensures the welfare of dogs".



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1729

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Local Board: Ōtara-Papatoetoe

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Also do something about dogs menacing and roaming around. Actually do something for once.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Also deal with dogs in public who are menacing.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1826

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

Having four dogs are more manageable than having 6. More than 4 is a very large pack and unpredictable if some are of leash.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

All dogs should be neutered not just menacing dogs blanket rule for all. To much puppy breeding going on.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

I support this as long as there are strict rules in place for the dog owners to respect these maungas.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park, Long Bay Regional Park, Muriwai Regional Park, Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Some people don't have a leash on they dogs while walking on a public places

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2245

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

You are affecting someone's livelihood hurting people with dogs. There many many dog lovers walking their dogs that have no issues in the community so stop hurting us

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

You have already restricted huge changes over the years making huge restrictions on us dog owners. Stop doing this

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

It is the owner at fault! Not the dog! All dogs are loving and caring. If a dog is violent to a random person for no reason it because they have been trained that way

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Do not support

Tell us why

There are far too many biases with council and how you are clarifying menacing dogs. People need far better education on the owners and how they have taught dogs to be harmful

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

You have already hurt us with fees and now you want to do it more. Stop it. Dogs get lonely and need another dog for companionship and hurting and putting more fees causes further harm

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why**Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):**

Support

Tell us why

You need better signage at these areas not changes the rules

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why**Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):**

I don't know

Tell us why**Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):**

Do not support

Tell us why

Our maunga are scared and the council has no business telling us what we can do on it. This is an iwi issues not the government one

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don't know

Tell us why**Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?****Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?****3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks**

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Families and kids love the dogs being in the areas. It provides exercise and families to get out with their beloved dog

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

It is a family area where we bring our dogs and people love them

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This is Maori land not council to decide

Secondly families taking their dogs for walks and days out stop hurting everyone

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The current rules are perfect and work well

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Nothing wrong with the current rules stop putting more restrictions on us dog owners

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it
Family and dogs love it there

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Nothing wrong with the current rules there work well

Stop the changes

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it

Family and dogs love it there



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

this effects anyone who works as a dog walker. It is a service many provide.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park, Auckland Botanic Gardens, Hunua Ranges Regional Park, Long Bay Regional Park, Mahurangi Regional Park, Muriwai Regional Park, Pākiri Regional Park, Shakespear Regional Park, Tāpapakanga Regional Park, Tāwharanui Regional Park, Te Ārai Regional

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

we want to be able to take our dogs to parks beaches and foreshore areas

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why



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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I strongly oppose the proposed changes to the dog park area. These amendments significantly restrict the freedom and enjoyment of both dogs and their owners, undermining the park's value as a shared community space.

Allowing dogs off-leash in the northwestern area only under stringent conditions, with the possibility of future limitations to on-leash rules, greatly reduces the opportunity for dogs

to exercise and socialise. This change is unnecessary and will create confusion with inconsistent rules, especially during events when restrictions are at the council's discretion. Clear and consistent policies are essential for an inclusive and user-friendly park.

Furthermore, the prohibition of dogs in high-use areas, such as the café terrace, cultivated gardens, and waterbodies, is excessive. Responsible dog ownership, supported by proper signage and education, can mitigate concerns about safety, hygiene, and environmental impact. Blanket prohibitions alienate dog owners, who are integral to the park's community.

Instead of these restrictive measures, I urge the council to prioritise balanced solutions, such as designated fenced areas, clear signage, and waste disposal facilities. These changes would accommodate the needs of all park users while maintaining safety and enjoyment for everyone. Please reconsider these proposals in favour of a more inclusive approach.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mātaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Feedback Submission: Subdivision, Lack of Backyards, and the Council's Responsibility

The increasing trend towards subdivisions with smaller sections and limited backyards has left many families, especially dog owners, with fewer private recreation spaces. It is the council's responsibility to ensure adequate public recreational areas are provided for all members of the community, including those with pets. Parks like this play a vital role in fostering community well-being by providing open spaces for exercise, relaxation, and socialisation.

Given these pressures, it is crucial that off-leash areas for dogs are properly maintained, accessible, and safe. Installing fencing around designated off-leash areas would improve safety for all users, preventing dogs from entering restricted areas and providing peace of mind for owners. Additionally, the council should make it clear that the botanical gardens contain a dog-friendly zone, with clear signage to encourage responsible use.

To further ensure safety, the use of scooters, bikes, and other vehicles should be prohibited in the dog park areas, reducing the risk of accidents or injuries. By taking these steps, the council can provide a balanced solution that accommodates the needs of dog owners while ensuring the safety and enjoyment of all park users. Investing in these measures demonstrates the council's commitment to creating inclusive, multi-use spaces for our growing community.



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2529

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Too many dog related dramas around auckland currently. Too many under qualified dog walkers walking dogs off leash with no control on recall, often causing distress to other walkers/dogs. I support the proposed change.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Too many pitbull type of dogs being bred in the backyard just to become a roamer/stray and cause issues or be hit by car. We need to control this number.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Managing the breeding would be good. If not authorized breeder, don't breed. Random checks on households for dogs - registration and desex certificates.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

If they hold multiple, they need to provide desex certificate to minimize risk of unwanted breeding.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Too many outdated signs. Also people don't respect the rules - maybe they need to do patrols and find those that think the rules don't apply to them.

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

We need more people random checking spots to ensure the rules are followed. Too many people not following the clearly signed posts.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Dogs on leash rule must be adhere to. This is so under regulated.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Too many dogs are off leash in Hunua. We need someone to come out and regulate this and fine those owners that let their dogs off leash

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

This change won't change the fact that dangerous dogs are still roaming around the suburban neighbourhoods harming people and other animals. There needs to be a change on how people are able to acquire dogs and a monitoring of people who breed dogs. I live in South Auckland and the amount of dogs that roam around freely is shocking. It's unsafe to walk around as these dogs don't get caught straight away and when they do there's nothing done about them. If the council knew the owners have had a history of not taking care of their dogs then they need to be fined and completely banned from ever owning a dog as a lot of these dogs are not trained either. Even they say that the dogs on the property so the council can't do anything but literally I've seen dogs jump over their fence to attack people. While I was walking my dog recently a unleashed pitbull was with with a group of young children aging around the youngest being about 6 or 7 to the others that were around 8-9 years old. That pit bull straight away saw my dog which was harnessed and on a leash, and tried to attack my dog who's quite small and is maltese x shih tzu. I protected my dog as much as I could as she was crying from trying to be attacked and I had to shield her between a fence and my legs as the other dog was trying to get to my dog. I then had grab the pitbull and throw it away onto the road and yell at him, then he ran off back to the children that it was walking with. This is the one of many case around the country, especially in South Auckland where backyard breed pitbull/Staffy terriers are being left to roam around by themselves or roam around with people that don't seem to worry about their dogs behaviour the fact that it needs to be on a leash. I mean look at this example. No dog should be ever left with children that young and if it has to be then the dog needs to be on a leash. It's a joke honestly the council needs to enforce better laws around roaming dogs in suburban areas before even thinking about putting rules in parks. Nowadays I see people that do walk their dogs in my area, carry sometime of pole or stick with them just

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Support

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

STRICTLY MUST BE ON LEASH FULL STOP

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

ALL DOGS TO BE ON LEASH

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

NEEDS TO BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES NO QUESTIONES ASKED THIS IS COMING STRAIGHT FROM THE HORSES MOUTH

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

STRICTLY NO DOGS ALL TOGETHER ON ANCESTRAL MOUNTAINS AND WILDLIFE AREAS AND FARMING AREAS IF HAS TO BE AREAS WITH SHEEP THEN STRICTLY ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

NEEDS TO BE NEW LAWS

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Matakaitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

#2530

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2850

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Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Ōtara-Papatoetoe

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

No off leash dogs. I've seen enough people get charged or get uncomfortable with dogs coming up to them and barking without owners having any control or getting to their dogs in time.

And in reality, one dog on leash at any point. Dogs overpower their owners on so many occasions when other dogs are around. I've seen two dogs pull their owner down.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

This rule/policy exists but there's bias because it is highly likely the people who will be providing behavioural assessments are people who have dogs so their view will always be biased. Dog owner don't realise how non dog owners feel when their dogs bark at them. Our council doesn't as well and so non dog owners have to suffer all the time getting attacked or chased by dogs.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

All ares of Auckland should.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why**Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):**

Support

Tell us why

We should have monitored parks where dogs are not allowed. Will be a huge hit with people who don't own dogs or don't like dealing with dogs. All dogs to be on leash at all time in public parks and roads.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why**Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):**

Support

Tell us why**Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):**

Support

Tell us why

No dog access on mountain

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why**Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?****Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?**

I hope more non dog owners give feedback on this. Many people including myself, my wife and my family now refuse to go for walks in fear of dogs...because we have been chased, followed, and attacked once (lucky enough to get to our car in time). Old disabled man was owner and could barely control his own dog....go figure. If you want the street

name...I can happily tell you. We've convinced ourselves that dogs are mans best friend...but that best friend doesn't care about others.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Support but with exception. One dog per owner.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

No dogs at Hunua. No dogs at all.

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Other (please explain below)

Mahurangi East

Other (please explain below)

Mahurangi Scott Point

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

No dogs at all. No dogs at any point in time.

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

All dogs prohibited.

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

No dogs at parks. People yes...but no dogs.



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2921

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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I don't know

Tell us why

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No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Actually the only thing I'm against is the dogs not being allowed in the streams and water bodies!! Who came up with this crappy policy (f)? It's a great way for dogs to cool down when it's hot or after their run or walk.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I own a retired working dog (Explosive detection dog) that continues to require high levels of exercise. My dog worked for the NZ government for 5.5 years and is highly trained and disciplined. By using a professional and experienced group (City Pets), I am able to ensure that he is taken twice weekly for walks and maintains his exposure to and social behaviours with other dogs. The dogs in the group are all vetted before participation in relation to their behaviours and response to instructions and recall. They are exercised in an area where they do not infringe on others and do not present risk to any persons, other animals or property.

The proposed changes will inhibit and disadvantage responsible dog owners utilising professional services who apply control of the dogs and do not allow them to present any level of risk.

It will not address irresponsible "independent" dog walkers who use public areas and do not have appropriate structure or controls. These are people likely to want to make money off this service without the appropriate training or use of suitable areas.

Those of us who use professional and approved services such as City Pets will be penalised despite our status as responsible dog owners who have their dogs and other people's wellbeing and safety top of mind.

I urge you to reconsider or introduce a form of licenced walkers.

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

all dog shoud be on lease no dog shouldn,t be without a lease

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Do not support

Tell us why

dogs are family member so why should dog have to pay for registration when they are like our kids we love our animal as much as we love our kids so i reckon u should stop people paying for registration people are struggling to pay already for there shots there food there chipping them parvo shot if your dogs get sick see as for people like me i really love my dogs an there really actually like us as people which we already got to pay for all these thing for them already so PLEASE!STOP REGISTRATION AMEN

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Do not support

Tell us why

only IF THEY RE NOT ON LEASE IF THEY ARE ROAMING AROUND WITHOUT THERE OWNER THEN THAT LAW SHUD ABIDE

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

WELL DOGS SHOUD BE ALLOW TO GO WEAR EVERY THERE OWNER GO IT THERE RESPONSABILITY TO MAKE SURE THERE DOGS IS NOT A MENACE

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why**Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):**

Do not support

Tell us why**Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):**

Support

Tell us why

SO LONG AS U DO THE RIGHT THING AN PICK UP YOUR DOGGY DO AN HAVE MORE DOGGY TOILET BIN AROUND THE PARK, MAUNGA, AN BEACHES WERE PEOPLE CAN PUT IN PLACE

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

YES REMOVE ALL THESE BY LAW ESPECIALLY THE REGISTRATION FOR OUR DOGS BUT MAKE SURE THAT THEY ALL WEAR THERE DOG LEASES ON

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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NO REGISTRATION FOR OUR ANIMALS LET GO

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Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Dogs need exercising and in a modern world there is a need for dog walkers. my dog goes twice weekly and there have been zero issues

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Dogs need to socialize in a pack. Having them on lead will cause frustration and lead to more aggressive behaviours.

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

This would majorly hinder the quality of life for my dog and others I know who are part of Dog Walking services that provide out door adventures which i'm unable to do during the week due to my work commitments. If this would be enforced then the limit would raise the cost significantly and cause cost issues with doing whats in the best interest of my dog rather than him being stuck at home all week long.

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I do not agree with this statement "until the area is further developed when at the discretion of council this rule will be amended to only allow dogs under control on a leash."; as it leads to believe this is inevitable that the area will be further developed from what it already is and will exclude space for our dogs to have some freedom. Limiting so many parks makes it difficult to find places they can be walked off-leash outside of our own private property.

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I do not support the proposed change

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This is a very large area; plenty of space for many activities. I don't see any reason for dogs to be prohibited if on leash as they're controlled and do not pose any problems for others using this space.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why



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#3617

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Ōtara-Papatoetoe

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

It is not possible to run a dog walker businesses under these rules. Dog walkers are essential services for dog owners to give their dogs exercise when the owner can't. The reason the owner can't could be many: caring for a family member, illness, away. Not having this

service is cruel to a dog, or might even make owning a dog impractical, depriving many of the ability to have social connections with others outside of work or family circle.

Dog walkers are professionals, as anyone knows who has seen one: their control of dogs is something to behold.

Also destroying even more businesses in a country with its current unemployment rate seems capricious. This country needs more people at work, and more people working more hours.

Not a single piece of evidence has been made anywhere in the proposals that the dog walking business needs to be destroyed to make the public more safe.

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

The proposal here is to slash the off-leash area by 50%. It removes the ability of dogs to swim. It explicitly removes dogs from the visitor centre, and cafe.

The proposal conflicts with your goal in 3.6.2. Instead of integrating dog owners and their dogs with other users of public places, you explicitly remove dogs.

You wanted to provide opportunities for dog owners to take their dog to public places that are accessible, desirable, and provide diversity of experience for both the dog and owner. The Botanic Gardens is one such place. But you make 50% on-leash, and you remove one of the great areas where dogs can swim. Swimming is much appreciated by dogs, especially in summer.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Again this is removing dogs from a large number of tracks. You remove the ability of dogs owners and dogs to enjoy different areas of Auckland together. This conflicts with your goal in 3.6.1:

(a) recognise dog owners as legitimate users of public spaces and that dog access is essential for dog welfare.

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(c) Provide opportunities for dog owners to take their dog to public places that are accessible, desirable, and provide diversity of experience for both the dog and owner

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

In park after park dog access is removed or reduced. This conflicts with your stated goal in 3.6.1:

Goals 3.6.1

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This removes an entire beach from dog access, and chops access in another beach by 50%! And this is such a great park to take the dog to.

This conflicts with your stated goal in 3.6.1:

Goals 3.6.1

(a): recognise dog owners as legitimate users of public

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this time and no changes will be made on any location you identify in this section as part of this proposal.

Only provide feedback on one location at a time.

Space is provided for three locations. If you would like to provide feedback on more than three locations, please copy the following pages or include your comments in the other feedback section.

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Botanic Gardens

What local board area is this location in?

Manurewa

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify: Much larger areas of the park need to be off leash. Along the Puhinui stream in particular

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Too much is prohibited. You should respond to specific problem owners. Thousands of dog owners enjoy this park and increase the social cohesion in South Auckland. This should be promoted.

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Talk to the actual dog owners there. Where in Auckland do people meet other people from all walk of life? From every possible background? Where do people meet people outside of work? Where do people have a chance to meet and talk to people about problems,

A great many, I hope I have the opportunity to talk to the council. In particular my contention is that this proposal does not meet the goals you have set:

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(a): recognise dog owners as legitimate users of public spaces and that dog access is essential for dog welfare.

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Almost exclusively dog access is restricted in this proposal, not expanded. That's not good for Auckland.



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Do not support

Tell us why

I don't own a dog, however I feel there are not enough areas for dog owners to be able to walk their animals off leash.

The current rules are sufficient and should remain the same.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

I think they should remain the same.

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No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

I think the current rules and area are sufficient for dog owners. Any reduction does not take the wellbeing of the animal into consideration. Dog owners should be allowed to have well controlled animals off leash in a large enough area to exercise their dogs.

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I feel they should remain the same.



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Tell us why

You need to expand the off leash area, not reduce. the proposed area of off leased area is fine in the Summer, but very wet in the winter. There is nowhere to sit if required.

Why is the off lead area being changed? Who is going to make sure we all stay on the motorway side.

In the summer we like to walk in the shade.

A huge amount of people walk there dogs in the dark before going to work. Someone like myself, cannot walk on slippery uneven ground. A lot of money will have to spent to make it safe for us to safely walk.

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Regardless of size, it's intimidating and creates anxiety with the doggy day care lot of having more than 6 dogs approach you

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

More changes are needed at the roaming dog in public and changes to impound payment fees are causing huge numbers of dogs being killed because of payment at the pound inability

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

Then there will be ZERO left!!!! Import the 'menacing dog breeds' from another province or country?

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Proper farm areas so what but especially in high density and apartment areas absolutely needed

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Leashed dogs should be allowed seeing there is no stock there to be threatened anymore

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

As per above with animal control with roaming dogs needs huge improvement as well as changes with the payment methods systems for impounded dogs also needs upheaval as far too many dogs are being killed due to your systems not being customer or dog friendly

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park, Auckland Botanic Gardens

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Safety risk and I've heard some scary stories of people / kids be rushed at by leashed dogs. Just ban them completely from here

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Pākiri Regional Park

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Shakespear Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

Too many uncontrolled dogs crapping and no clean up

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Penalise people who do not clean up dogs ***** and heavy fines.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Any dog attacks and the dog must be destroyed and owner prosecuted.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Should be all areas of Auckland

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

The off leash area for dogs are one of the most important areas for a lot of dog owners. In Auckland, south Auckland especially it's hard enough to find a suitable off leash site with lots of running area, taking it away from dog owners would be horrible! Swimming in the creeks are the dogs favourite natural AC method in summer. There's already lot of animal cruelty happening and taking away this off leash zone or reducing in size would be considered just as cruel and heartless. We have been for to the off leash part for over 3 years now and not once have I seen a dog endangering other species!

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs are part of people's family, it's not just a pet. As long as the dog has control of the dog and is leashed it should be allowed in picnic areas etc. understandably around farm animals yes they need to be controlled and leashed.

Long Bay Regional Park

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Just keep it to the current policy.. no owners would purposely allow their dogs to harm any other animals/birds. Most owners just enjoying letting their dog run along the beach and not go viewing birds.

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Stop restricting more and more access to families who have dogs. It's a crucial aspect of someone's mental health or physical health to be able to take their loved pets to go for off leash or controlled walks. By adding more and more restrictions or reducing areas in size there won't be enough capacity of everyone and if anything will cause more collisions and possible damage further.



Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Don't cut our Botanic Gardens zoomie zone.

Let us swim in the creek - it's our summer AC.

More off leash parks, NOT fewer.

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Just give responsible dog owners a fair go.

Step up puppy mill farms & make it easier for people to desex their pets at reasonable cost & not require a bank loan to do it!

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Mahurangi East

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Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Restrictions should not apply to a registered dog trainer/walker. By limiting the number of off-leash dogs to 3 they will be unable to do adventure walks and this will kill the dog walking industry or otherwise increase costs to dog owners. I support restrictions for general members of the public but experienced owners or professionals should be exempt

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why



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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

There needs to be more access to parks and areas for walking dog both on leash and off leash.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

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Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

With a growing population and dog ownership numbers there needs to be more access to parks and areas for walking dog both on leash and off leash..

I oppose any restrictions on dog walking areas.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

The off leash area needs to be expanded.

Dogs must be allowed in the cafe and visitor area.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Areas where dogs are allowed need to be increased.

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

There should be no prohibited times. Beaches must be off leash at all times.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

All areas of the beaches and surrounding grass/picnic areas should be off leash.

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

There needs to be more access to regional parks for dog owners for both off leash and on leash walking.



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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

South Auckland: Botanic Gardens; fencing area to allow for dogs be unleashed to get a good run; should consider fencing off in order to minimise risk to people who walk into dog unleash area.

a) dogs in unleashed areas, fenced off if possible, should be considered for dogs who are large to x-large.

This allows for these types of dogs to really exercise their lge muscles and run; these include border collies, german shepherds, mixed large/xlge breeds etc.

b) There are so many areas available to the general public and children, but not for responsible dog owners.

Also, there are certain groups of people who dont like dogs and that's ok.

With children, there are a lot of children who provoke dogs with their high pitch screaming and running towards and away from dogs. It is provoking.

So by decreasing off leash area for dogs, how does this impact on attempting to be responsive and caring of dogs, and their health/wellbeing?

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Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

hat is identified as "menacing"?

Pending on breed, behaviour, and its history.

eg: Ive taken rehomed dog; its previous owners' chained up the dog for approx 4yrs, with minimal socialisation and regular exercise. Hence, since late Sep 2024, to now, my 2nd dog gets to run around our backyard/front, however, I can not take him for walk leash/unleash in parks/beach because of his behaviour. He is neutered, his behaviour is improving... it takes time.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Not a dog ranger or such who deems to know everything about a dog, without knowing dog's history from responsive owner.

Not someone in authority who applies punitive penalties; rather have someone who can at least understand and talk with owner and assess the dog fairly.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Current rule where a household (suburb) can have maximum of 2 dogs:

- a) should remain as is (see (b))
- b) Consider type of breed, ie if lge/xlge dogs, only 2 be allowed per household (suburban)
- c) How is this applied with foster care?

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don't know

Tell us why

- a) that registered dog owners be invited to contribute to working with Auckland Council how dog rules are set.
- b) dog owners who pay registration for dogs, should have a say

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

- a) Dog is obedient to dog owner
- b) Dog owner be responsible to scope the area, decide to leash/off leash
- c) dogs in vehicles - I take my border collie for ride in car; part of socialisation, behaviour. No different to a service dog, enjoying car ride with breeze
- d) Working dogs; should not be an issue, ie

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

a) if it benefits responsive dog owner and dog(s)

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

a) there has to be constructive discussion, agreement with local iwi.

b) That signage/comms with general public if no dog(s) allowed

Personally for myself, I wouldnt take my dog for walking onto tangata whenua maunga

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

South Auckland:

there are not enough parks (fenced off/reserves/beaches for dogs

There are only 3: Botanic Gardens, Lloyd Elsmore, Ambury

These cover East, South, Mangere: yet suburban population, and dogs reg - there isnt enough available

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To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

I would like these bylaws to include the first legislations in each section which support our rights [as stipulated in every first legislation], as opposed to dictatorship with policies that abuse us.

An example: Animal Control Officers (AMO) need to have objective evidence prior detaining dogs as stipulated in the Local Government Act and using Police as the means to gain entry unlawfully (without an order/warrant) is also against the law.

Another example: What is the purpose for registering an animal?

Auckland Council claim it is for administration fees. This is already paid for by the Ministries of Primary Industries. You were granted just shy of 9 million dollars (according to MPI's annual report) as the cover of all expenses/expenditures. When I called the AMO office, they had no excuse except understanding what a Registration was.

In the Crimes Act; this policy is classed as pecuniary rights, as it serves "no benefit" to pet owners. It does the exact same job as a microchip - and a microchip does more for you than having people subscribe THEIR property to pay you money and receive nothing except blackmail pursuits by your officers.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don't know

Tell us why

I have a proposal regarding this question that can work to the benefit of both owners and AMOs. It would be to include a training scheme offered to people who have uncontrolled pets as a second chance to return their pets. The statistics show (In the Auckland Region) that only 44% of owners' pets are returned.

It is not because of the provisions set out, it is because of the "lack of support" regarding the retrievals.

For example: The requirements for the return are the typical policies (AMO financial criteria), yet there are no ease of payment applications. We are requested a lump sum which is ridiculously high for the low socioeconomic regions. Auckland Council expects half a grand within 1 week!

The other example is the need for collaboration with Kainga Ora. They do not provide adequate fencing despite the support I have requested from AMOs who have taken images and sent them in as they also agree this is a necessary change to assist in keeping the public safe too. We would also have a higher chance of getting our pets back!

Our dogs are just doing their jobs, and they require appropriate confinement sections. I do NOT support chained animals.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

In first legislation[s], they put footnotes of past laws below, and place the outdated policies in a supported document behind the current laws. This allows people to research what was, and why which is necessary for people pursuing edu (+). Perhaps this is something to consider.

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

In the supported document below, it explains my current affairs with Auckland Management, being gaslit that my Civil Rights had no jurisdiction over the Dog Control Act Bylaws and was then dismissed by Auckland Council when pursuing an appeal. I was then harassed for half a year by the AMO because they tried to do their jobs.

I have no issues with them, only the policies placed that cause the unnecessary frictions between them and I.

These policies are abusive and as a result, the Animal Management Team and their facilities are placed in a high risk position of being assaulted. This speaks volumes about what they endure because of the rules they have to conduct themselves by.

Please amend my requests in the same fashion as those you have listed above.

In my document it also has added supporting financial schemes that can replace the policies without abusing pet owners. These should also accumulate more than the current income incurred.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why