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Draft Golf Investment Plan 2022

Howick

Local Board

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf is a sport that is seemingly intimidating and expensive to participate in and it shouldn't be this way.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: All Aucklanders are entitled to these opportunities just like other sports

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: The more opportunity the better

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Very vague on what exactly the framework is, but the idea points to a better solution

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Depends on what sport and recreation. It would probably very hard for golfers to share a course with something like football

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Golf courses seem like they are usually pretty well managed environmentally, but I do not know well enough

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Your feedback

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   Don't support

   Tell us why: There is no "Plan". There are words of concept which encourage support in principle but no actual plan, examples or description of actions which are likely if the "Plan" receives support. I support the concept of enabling more people to be able to play golf and I support environmental sustainability. I do not support the sale or conversion of golf courses.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Make the courses available to all Aucklanders but in doing so do not compromise the courses

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Have no idea what this actually means. Some examples are required

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Already it is very difficult to make a tee booking on courses throughout Auckland. The fewer the courses the harder it will become. If you want to "invest" in golf and make it available to more people then we need to at least retain the current capacity.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Already it is very difficult to make a tee booking on courses throughout Auckland. The fewer the courses the harder it will become. If you want to "invest" in golf and make it available to more people then we need to at least retain the current capacity.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Sure you can build ranges and pitch and put facilities etc but what you describe as "traditional mid-level (development) golf courses" are simply golf courses and thats what you need to actually play golf

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support in principle but question what is actually likely to be proposed

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   There is no "Plan". There are words of concept which encourage support in principle but no actually plan, examples or description of actions which are likely if the "Plan" receives support. Whether or not people support the generic principles doesn't mean they are supportive of any action the Council might take. Hence I think this consultation process is likely to result in unreliable feedback.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: unless council pays for the upkeep and running of the golf courses plan is pure fantasy.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: all participants paying an equal amount for upkeep and running the course

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: council will pay for this

Key shift

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TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Partially support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: council taking over the running of golf courses would make golf much cheaper for members. this whole scheme is pure fantasy unless council has spare million or so .

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: clubs already do this

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   it would save me money not having to be a member to play.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: In the end you will sell the land

   You are trying to hide your intentions by this equity clap trap

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: rubbish

Key shift

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   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Tell us why: All the courses are freely available already but of course you have to pay

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Green/Labour posturing

Other feedback

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There is little for the retired people to do but am aware that people like my mother-in-law has a full social scene based around her day out on a golf course, to diminish the size of the course will also lesson the time spent and exercise gained. There are many small parks lined up for development and these are the ones that should be changed for playgrounds.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of sporting locations already for all to use or open areas for walks, this is just a land grab to justify selling off other parks in urban areas.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Open a night club if you want youth participation don't try and ruin a perfectly maintained golf course. When it states lower Asian participation, I struggle to agree with this? I don't play golf often (once a year) but whenever I do, I always notice Asian players on the course, and see lots of women playing in groups together. Who did this research as it appears flawed?

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

Tell us why: Golf course are well maintained and support a huge amount of wildlife within their ponds of areas with trees, to shrink the areas will only have a destructive effect upon this.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Because the council do not listen to the public majority on these decisions and it is already planned regardless.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are also exclusive rugby pitches, football pitches, squash clubs, BMX courses, cycle ways, gyms, hockey clubs etc. so what is wrong with exclusive golf courses.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Your research is flawed. Open a community centre for the youth they are not interested in parks, Asians and women are also large golf players. Maori and Pacific cultures tend to migrate towards the beach for outdoor experiences not running/walking tracks.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses dont have all the pollution associated with farm land and animal waste and acts as a large range wildlife sanctuary.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   I think that this is a despicable act that unjustly targets the elderly and one of the few activities that they can currently enjoy, I enjoy walking and cycling along the many streams around Auckland so why not extend these further to all join up. It would still cost and take a great deal of planning but not at the detriment of other peoples enjoyment. I hope that as I grow older, that I too may take up golf and make it

a part of my retirement and a new social scene with the new time afforded me but this proposal shoots down any thoughts of that with little else to do in those elderly years.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It not good for AC to take over golf courses

Other feedback

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Support

   Tell us why: I support a move towards making public land more accessible to Aucklanders.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Any recreation or activity on publicly-owned land should (where possible) be open to all Aucklanders.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: As a member of a 'low participation group' (woman), I support efforts to increase equity in golf spaces. I would feel more open to trying golf if a range of people were involved and different experiences were offered.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: I fully support conservation efforts in public spaces. However, I do question how ecosystems and biodiversity will be managed in golf land (which are typically managed in environmentally-damaging ways: intense mowing, high water use, pesticides).

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I am opposed to anything that removes green spaces,especially to sell the land or replace grass with plastic playing fields. The proposal seems to indicate that no golf course will be left untouched. Can't see any reason for courses on the city fringes even need looking at.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No places in Auckland are short of green spaces. Where I live we have LLoyd Elsmore and Barry Curtis Park, they are huge. I don't any reason to touch Pakuranga golf course.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Public courses seem well patronised. Keep green fees low!

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Not one square in of land should sold. With housing intensification, which seems to end up with minimal garden space, any green space is valuable. Plus council seems intent on selling any patch of green space "it" deems not required, is another nail in the coffin!!

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: If that's the case then does every hockey ground or soccer ground benefit ALL Aucklanders?

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above, hockey or soccer grounds cater for specific sport interests., why not golf.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is Golf, all people play the game the same. The only change possible is to reduce the number of holes, I'm sure keen golfers wouldn't approve

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: What "clearly defined targets". Currently they seem undefined

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   The consequence of this proposal is likely to be less green space. ie less trees - a trend that has got out of hand in Auckland, namely Pohutukawas and exotics.

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Your feedback

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   Support

   Tell us why:

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   Support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

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Support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

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   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Keep it open for golf and sell some land for high density housing.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   Support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Open gym, swimming pool and track for pedestrian and cycling.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable): Disability Connect trading name of Parent and Family Resource Centre Incorporated

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I have read the Investment Plan twice. People with disabilities are glossed over. missed in passing. There is no equity in this plan for disabled people. It fails to live up to the NZ Disability Strategy 2016-2026. Please go and read the strategy, cite it and build "choice and control" and "access" into the plan. An estimated 2% of the population has a physical disability. While golf courses are not suited for wheelchairs, scoots and frames we are not included. 24% of the population has a disability. If courses, training, equipment and facilitiues are not accessible we are excluded. Please consider ASD, Global Development Delay, Deaf, low vision, Intellectual Disability, Spinal impairments.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Equity is key. Sadly the plan doesn't reflect an understanding of the needs of disabled people and their whanau.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: The goal is good, but the plan is woeful for disabilities. There is nothing here for disabled people so the plan will not deliver equity. Don't just consult with the disability advisory group. Spend time with dsabled peoples groups in Auckland and listen to them. Parafed, Halberg, CCS Disability, Disability Connect, Downs Syndrome Auckland, Blind and Low Vision, CP Society.... UN Convention for People With a Disability.

What % of equipment, facilities, courses and training will be accessible by 2030? There is no plan!

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Common sense.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: We need inclusion. Current courses don't deliver this.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: I used to play at courses in Auckland but I can't without investment to make them accessible. Otheres have never been able to play golf. We all deserve the opportunity.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: We have a a wide range of abilities and access needs. The Auckland of the future needs better golf facilities.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Commona sense.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   The Objectives are good but the plan underneath needs a significant rethink. Disabled people and theor families are excluded. Why is thos goal not mentioned? https://www.golf.co.nz/all-abilities No specific mention of the range of disabilities, Universal Design or targets for access.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf clubs are an important part of our city with health and exercise as well as visual benefits.

   However golf course use should not be exclusively for club membership, but open to the public as well at a subsidised rate.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf courses on publicly owned land should not be exclusively for club membership, but open to the public as well, and at a subsidised rate.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The key is to ensure the site is fully functioning as a golf course and recreation area.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Amalgamation under the Auckland super city model as frequently resulted in a reduction of amenities for the public.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Focus should still be on golf.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf participation rates are ridiculously low.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Times are changing.

   Young people are not keeping active and we need to adapt and create ways for them to do this. More wheeled sports

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I think it is disengenius to use participation data from the last 6 months to suggest low rates for golf. Due to COVID and lockdowns most people could only walk or run for exercise.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Why target golf in this way when the council also owns vast areas of recreational land for other sports eg, soccer and rugby which are equally under utilised and accessible only to club members.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: People will only participate if they are interested in physical activity and motivated to do something about it. No golf club I know of will decline a person's application for membership on the basis is equity or equality. Golf clubs are open to all. It's up to the individual to get proactive and join in.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses provide a greater biodiversity and active ecosystem management approach than most open green spaces across Auckland. Any course that does not manage it's ecosystem will soon see members bite with their feet and transfer to better managed courses.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The same argument could be used to repurpose rugby fields, soccer pitches, cricket pitches etc. all Aucklanders have access now. The issue is lack of individual motivation to participate.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: What does this even mean??

   All relevant services can be offered by existing clubs with existing facilities. If a broader range was required there would be a demand for it. Where is the demand?

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Any improvement in environmental management is to be supported.

Other feedback

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf clubs are already engaging increasing numbers - especially younger players. Already hard to find tee times. Need all we can ti engage these youngsters. Also note at my club massive increase in diversity. Fantastic. Don't spoil it for some ideological views

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Spaces available for visitors already exists

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf teaches great interpersonal skills. Get as many as possible le involved

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Sounds like woke PC speak. Golfers love green spaces and the environment. Imagine a golf course that wasn't a lovely green space!!!!

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Woke PC speak. What do you really mean??

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Read previous submissions. Golf = largest participant sport. Don't spoil it. Gets people moving and socialising

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Tell us why: What does that really mean ? Easier access for green fee player? I think that already exists

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: More woke PC speak. Show me a golf course that is not awell maintained park

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Less woke PC speak.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I have been active sportsman all my life. I played first class cricket in Pakistan for 10 years and continued playing league cricket in England until 2010. I was introduced to golf in 2011 and since have been an avid golfer.

   Golf is a great game and teaches exceptional values and I wish I had started it as a youngster. It brings people together from all backgrounds and ethnicities, is a very healthy pursuit and requires dedication and discipline. Played in the right spirit it teaches integrity and honour, respect for fellow players, respect for the environment, respect for the rules and regulations. For people who are unable to engage in high intensity sports, golf is an activity that provides physical exercise and a mental challenge. I wish Golf could be made compulsory from a young age to teaches exceptional moral values that this game can teach. In my opinion Auckland Council should not only protect existing golf courses but should open up special par 3 golf courses so more and more people can take up the sport. Please do not open up golf courses for other recreational activities as that will lead to more golfing accidents from stray hits. Who will be responsible for any serious bodily harm?

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: See my above comments. I feel that opportunities provided are equitable.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

Tell us why: Provision of Golfing activity should be left to people who understand and specialise in the sport. If Auckland council can have a dedicated department run by PGA approved golfers to promote golf across all communities, then I have no objection.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Most golf courses are already doing their best to preserve and promote ecosystems.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: See above comments

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   I don't know

   Tell us why: What do you mean about broad golf service across the network?

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf already reaches out to a whole of people old young make female and others and all races.

   The council is broke any rate so this is a waste or ratepayers money

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support the idea of investing in golf in Auckland as it is a popular activity for Auckland residents, the sport is suitable for a wide range of ages, has positive mental health benefits, has low injury risk, golf courses add to the character of the region and the clubs have historical significance.

   I do not support the idea that well utilised golf course land needs to be repurposed for other activity when these facilities already exist and are not as well utilised as golf courses.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The land is already open to Auckalnders. Walking is allowed on public golf courses and golf is not an exclusive sport in New Zealand as it is in other countries. Aucklanders of all backgrounds can join golf clubs or play on them casually. Articles noting

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf is a fantastic sport for life so any expansion of facilities to support this is welcome

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Where possible golf courses should use environmentally friendly practices

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support a cohesive investment framework however I do not support the insinuation that legacy decisions were bad or that the golf courses have not or do not provide value in those areas

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The assumption that Aucklanders do not have access to golf courses is incorrect. Golf is played by a wide variety of Aucklanders with greater diversity in age, ethnicity and gender than many other sports including Netball, Rugby and Cricket. NZ Golf provi

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support having a broad range of golf offerings to suit a range of golfers and help the sport grow for the benefit or Aucklanders.

   I do not support the assumption that this should be at the expense of "mid level" courses. These courses are golf courses.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support this as it makes sense for golf course land to have good eco management

   I do not support this as a reason to remove or close courses and turn them into other types of facilities which would have a worse environmental impact (e.g. flat grass pay

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   I understand that the report contains out of date information and that this was raised by NZ golf. In the interest of good governance this should be addressed.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: A lot of reasons but if you actually played golf you would understand the serious ramifications and dangers if a golf ball hits a passing cyclist or any other ludicrous ideas of activities you so broadly suggest. That's the problem with all the words you use in your flowery presentation, it says nothing specific and then suddenly a golf course is being ripped to pieces with your fandangled idealistic plans to accommodate all of Auckland. Have you actually done a thorough survey and asked the population of Auckland whether they would like to have a family picnic on a golf course, ride a bike or perform a cultural activity on the slopes opposite a golf club house? Nothing these days from council makes any sense and the scary part is you are all meant to be qualified engineers, highly paid consultants and somehow articulate in your professions but nothing happening in this city makes any sense anymore. Any why must everything in Auckland have a Maori slant to it when they are 13%. of Aucklander's population? You haven't mentioned the Asians, Pacific Islanders, Europeans, South Americans or heaven help us Pakeha's in this glorious proposition.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Increased equity? What does that even mean. Have you thought about ripping up sporting amenities? What's wrong with leaving golf courses as golf courses. This is a desperate idea with a very destructive outcome.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

Tell us why: What specifically is a broad range of golf experiences? On a golf course you play golf, you practise on a driving range you lease out the club house, students and interested people learn to play on a course. You make it sound as though attracting and retaining participants will be a permanent increase in numbers using a course but the reality is Aucklanders may try one of your fandangled activities as a 'one off' day out and forget it. Meantime you're responsible for destroying a golf course!

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: What a crock!

Key shift

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   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

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6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This is an absolute rubbish objective

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   You are turning Auckland into a once desirable city to live, into something that no one wants. This rubbish rhetoric around creating recreation areas for "all Aucklanders" is absolute bullshit. Council have in the past invested in numerous projects that only benefit a small portion of Aucklanders. This plan may create recreational areas but it's highly likely they will not be utilised by those your are creating them for. Auckland has thousands of acres of recreational areas, why create more? Auckland also has many facilities for its population to learn golf at any level. The opportunity is already there. Golf already is open to all Aucklanders. Why change something that isn't broken. I object to my rates being used for such projects, and do not support this plan. Where is the waterfront stadium that Phil Goff promised to get behind? Auckland is becoming derelict and is moving backwards. Opportunities to learn from other cities around the world have not been utilised due to incompetent leadership at Auckland Council. Start focusing on priorities that really do add value and create pleasure for ALL Aucklanders.

   From a Once Proud Aucklander...

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is a rapidly growing sport. This does not allow for the growth of the sport. We need more golf courses, not fewer. This will in effect, reduce opportunities to play golf and participate in golf club membership - across all demographics, more importantly at a junior level

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of under utilised council owned reserves and parks which would more affective and less disruptive in accommodating other forms of sport and recreation. Golf is not an iniquitous sport!

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   I don't know

   Tell us why: The question is too vague. Need to be more specific. What low participation groups. As far as I'm aware, there are no barriers, other than some obvious physical barriers , to anyone wanting to play golf, assuming we retain some council owned and operated courses for casual players as well.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

Tell us why: Again, there are no specifics. How do you determine best practise? Golf courses typically lead the way in environmental and ecosystem management. From my observations, council land is poorly maintained

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No examples given. Question is too vague

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of other council owned open spaces for other sport and recreation - walking cycling and jogging appear to be the council's main concern - including kilometres of under patronised cycle paths.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Question is too vague. A broad golf service offering?? The council has the opportunity to lease land to private operators for e.g Golf Driving Ranges, so there is a return on investment and also also offers the opportunity for potential golfers - of all d

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Another vaguely framed question. As mentioned before I consider golf clubs to be more committed and consistent in their approach to environmental management than council.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   I believe council have a misguided view of golf as being for the elite, the privileged. This is totally unfounded. Cast your mind back to June 2005 when the nation stopped to watch Michael Campbell proudly hold aloft the US Open trophy – arguably the greatest achievement in the sport. Campbell, of Ngāti Ruanui and Ngā Rauru descent, came from an unassuming background but whose talent was

nurtured, initially via the humble Titahi Bay Golf Club. No elitism there!. In 2015, a young woman, who arrived in NZ as a toddler with her immigrant parents, became the best female golfer in the world! She started as a junior at the council owned Pupuke Golf club on Auckland's North Shore. No elitism there! These two New Zealanders have flown our flag proudly and with great honour on the global stage. There are also thousands of other people from all walks of life, all ages, all nationalities, male and female, all socio economic profiles who have come to golf at various stages of their lives for social and health reasons and who add to the vibrancy and viability of golf clubs across Auckland. It is also worth noting that golf has comparatively low barriers of entry . All clubs offer very reasonable membership fees for juniors and entry level equipment, new or used, is relatively inexpensive. Compare the cost of a set of beginner golf clubs with a racing bike (any bike), windsurfer, small sailing boat, cricket kit etc.

Recently, the club I belong to, hosted a very successful charity event (for a very worthy cause) with many of the participants representing a demographic which Auckland Council would stereotype as being that typically seen at a Warriors game. They will be welcomed back. . Furthermore, golf clubs contribute significantly to the economy through offering employment, skills training, the purchase of goods and services and the amount of sponsorship dollars raised for various charities and junior coaching programmes.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I feel we need to keep all golf courses. There are more and more people playing. "There are a lot of sport fields for other sports around Auckland, lots of walking aeas and the council does not need to take away any of the golf course lands for these other activities

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of places for the public to enjoy already. Stop taking away green spaces

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Yes others should be able to come and learn to play golf, or have fun on driving ranges, or putting areas.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I feel all green keepers are very knowledgable about looking after the environment. They want good grasses and clean water, so plant what is needed

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: There are a lot of benefits already for all Aucklanders

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are lots of area for recreation, beaches, sports grounds, walkways, cycle ways

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Let Aucklanders come and enjoy golf and the comradery it provides

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: All golf courses need to be looked after and help the enviroment to keep the land healthy

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Just leave the golf courses alone. Council should concentrate on other services to the public. We need open spaces and golf is wonderful for healthy activities and great comradery

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I agree with present set up of golf courses it is very difficult to get started particularly if you work full time and only have the weekend free. This is the time when seasoned golfers play and it is difficult for new players to keep up with flow and learn.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I can see why you (council) would want to use your land equitably for all Aucklanders. Please do not let your focus on golf courses mean that you will take away any of the other "green belts" or parks that are presently available for all Aucklanders. Wi

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Again follows on from above. Golf is not an easy game to begin and is nothing like mini golf. Multi tiered driving ranges (like in Asian countries) would be a good beginning with cafe/restaurant/bar facilities and family area or creche. Additional to driving range could be a pitch and putt few holes safely managed. You must remember you will be working with an existing club membership in most cases and you would want to retain that membership (as you want to add to golfers not replace existing golfers with new golfers) so you must work in with present players and not destroy their enjoyment for others. Walk ways around course could be added which could allow walkers to use cafe, tennis courts or pools if they have any - at a cost of course - goes to maintaining assets. If people do not pay they do not appreciate an asset - as we all know.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: We try very hard to do this but best golf course I can direct you to is Wairakei International. This is privately owned but you should take a visit and see what a beautiful example of ecosystem management and flaura and fauna intergration. This would be my favourite golf course in NZ - from even the US owned ones. I was playing with deer, pheasant, quail, pukekos, and so many other species all in harmony with NZ bush and native trees everywhere. Whitford Manor is looking to place a waste management system outflow of pottable water into a lake on Whitford Park Golf Course. This is a win win solution being looked at by Water Care where pottable water is taken from their system and used on golf course land so golf course is not required to purchase water, use any stream water and has a continual clean water supply to use on their course. Should this eventuate - this could be replicated on all golf courses in Auckland - saving our precious water or in fact using it twice - once in housing and waste water, then treated in plant and able to be used on golf course, creating a circle of water life.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Any decisions made by Auckland Council should always benefit all ratepayers but decisions must be audited and transparent as you have indicated. People will vote with their feet if transparency is not maintained.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Do not take away an existing popular (and even more popular since covid) sport for 100,000 Aucklanders and sacrifice for potentially - !!!!! you do not know yet. I would start with driving range, pitch and putt, cafe/restaurant option first to get people

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: do carefully and audit every level of change so you can back track if required. Don't have a large team doing this, small with caring and knowledge. Lots of feedback from golfing fraternity. Canvass and face to face talking with private golf clubs and

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

Support

Tell us why: Yes I like this for all clubs and all parks in NZ.

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is a critical part of NZ and Aucklands identity and is a crucial part of why I continue to live here. Auckland has an excellent range of courses and actually would need more space not less.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are lots of other parks and community facilities but these do not get used nearly as well as golf clubs. Taking away these clubs makes golf less accessible. It's one of the cheapest countries in the world to play, let's not turn it into a concrete j

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is very inclusive. I've made many life long friends on the course from all walks of life

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of parks non golfers can use. Maybe look at selling those off first

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is the biggest sport in Auckland. Why change this, im not taking up rugby

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf already very accessible and clubs have good junior programs to encourage people to take up the game from an early age.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Please do not change the best part of Auckland. I will certainly be leaving if courses are reduced. This city is on the brink as it is and we do not need more under utilized community spaces.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

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TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Partially support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

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   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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Your feedback

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   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is a fantastic game and all should have access to it

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Firstly the Auckland Council under the leadership of Phil Goff need to cut down on the overhead costs on FAT salaries paid to management staff sitting and doing nothing. Anyone interested then please go and see the decoration in front of Manukau council office. What a waste of ratepayers money. Why?????

   Once done that then he should look at the golf clubs.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: First fix the corruption in Auckland Transport company and wastage of money in the council then look at golf clubs.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Anything to do with golf is okay.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Yes planting of trees is okay and not animals.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: What was the council doing all this while. Sitting on FAT salaries only?

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Why only looking at golf clubs?

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Cut down on the wastage and overheard costs at the council first.

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Support

   Tell us why: Freedom for all to use Council land

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Land is owned by Auckland public

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I don't think it will increase participation by the general public

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Not helping Auckland public use of land

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Support

Tell us why: Land owned by council should benefit all

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: All parks owned by council should be open to public

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: Should be open to all

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As long as the green spa e is being protected

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   No

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I feel the community is already well served by green spaces, parks and recreation facilities. I am a dog owner and traval around Auckland to provide a bit of variety when walking the dogs. On many occassions the spaces have been all but deserted.

   I also feel that were Council given the go ahead with this proposal that it would end with golfing infrastructure being removed from most of these facilities

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I have no confidence in Council being able to provide a solution that would be satisfactory to everyone.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The opportunity is already there for anyone who wishes to "give it a go".

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again, I have no confidence in council being able to achieve their stated objectives

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The city has plenty of sports facilities for all.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I don't believe council has the ability to provide this. We are already being told of cuts to services. It is my opinion that if these golf courses were to become "facilities for all" then the next step would be either selling the land to developers or bu

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   One of the main reasons I object to this is I don't believe Auckland Council would make a decision based on any criteria other than ideology. I feel if this plan were to be put into action it would result in a slow erosion of golfing facilities available. This, in my opinion, is because golf is perceived as a white middle class sport.

   On the ideology subject, I quote from the draft policy "With diversity comes differences in values, lifestyles, demand for services and expectations of civic engagement."

   Yet you feel the need to to consider the goals and aspirations of Maori. Why only Maori?

   Finally, the policy states that as the current leases expire as busines case will be produced for each facility (by council) and a decision will be made (by council) on the future of that facility.

   I simply do not trust Council to act in the interests of ratepayers.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This seems to be a backdoor way of closing down existing golf clubs to turn the land into high density housing

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The way this question is framed biases towards supporting the proposal. Golf currently attracts people from all ethnicities and all ages. So it's a false premise to say that the proposal is required to achieve the goal of increased equity. The land is alr

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The way this question is framed biases towards supporting the proposal. Golf currently attracts people from all ethnicities and all ages. So it's a false premise to say that the proposal is required to achieve the goal of increased equity. Golf membership has exploded in Auckland the last 2 years with the majority of new members being young people. Golf is already the most played sport in Aotearoa/ NZ.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

Tell us why: Again the question is framed to bias in favor of the proposal. Golf clubs maintain the lands far better than council ever would. Predators are controlled, the natural environment is encouraged and many clubs are working towards carbon neutral operations.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Once again a biased question stem. Council has put up a straw man (false premise) argument to pursue an anti-golf / pro housing development hidden agenda.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Another biased question stem. The anti-golf force in council is clearly strong (and not interested in a balanced discussion). Golf is the most played sport in Auckland with over a million rounds played annually and an explosion in membership (mainly from

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Council is out of date. Check out the current numbers of young people joining golf clubs. I play golf all over Auckland and see people of all persuasions playing: Asian, Indian, European, Maori, Pacific, men, women, children. Again a straw man argument is

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Council is worse than golf clubs at looking after the land. Check out my local parks and compare them to my local golf clubs. The parks are full of weeds with overgrown paths, mown only once every few months. The golf clubs are pristine, cared for on a da

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   The biased tone of this survey based on a straw man argument is an embarrassment.

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Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is wrong to remove golf facilities from people who may not be able to afford golf club membership. Golf is very popular despite belief to the contrary.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

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Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Some good initiatives on the table but also a fear that our local golf courses will be sold off

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: See above

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: The more people involved in the sport the better, especially if targeting low participation groups

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Environmental issues very important

Key shift

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   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf participation id growing enormously, we need to have the current golf facilities still operating into the future to meet demand

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

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TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Much of what is proposed is already being done by Golf Clubs - environmental enhancement, diversity of participation, diversity of format for the game (within the rules). Golf is a sport which is difficult and potentially dangerous in proximity to other recreational activities. A golf ball is a missile which travels very fast, not always in the intended direction and which can inflict serious injury to anyone hit by one. The authors of this draft plan seem not to understand golf, or the current market, participation demographics or trends. The game has grown significantly in the last several years, and many Auckland courses are nearing, or at full capacity right now.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again, golf participation is growing and many courses are near or at full capacity. Sharing with other activities concurrently imposes serious health and safety risks.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: This is already part of most clubs' marketing plans, but should be driven and managed by the clubs. Auckland Council involvement will not be useful.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

Tell us why: Most clubs are already working to enhance their environmental performances. It's interesting to note that the worst performer in this aspect is the only Council managed course, and Muriwai which the report claims to be at 70% of optimum has recently won awards for environmental performance.

This supports my view that the claimed consultation with Golf industry stakeholders is not recent - (2016?)

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Council owned golf course land is only part of total Council owned recreational land, and usage reviews need to take into account all council land available for whatever activity is proposed - always bearing in mind that having people doing things other t

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf needs exclusive use of the terrain occupied by the course. The playing surfaces - tees, fairways and greens are set up and groomed specifically for golf, and because even professional golfers' golf balls don't always go where they aimed, it is essent

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: Again, Golf Clubs already doing these things.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: This should be clearly defined and agreed targets. It would pointless banning or limiting fungicides for instance, because Auckland's humidity makes fungal infections on greens far more prevalent than is the case in the South Island. Different grasses req

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

The table in the report that sets out the history of consultation leading to this draft plan seems to indicate that the most recent golf industry consultation was 2016.

There have been a lot of changes in the intervening 6 years that makes further industry consultation now vital if whatever gets put up for adoption is to be workable.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Investment in a Healthy Community will reduce Health Board costs.

   From a Golfing point of view access for the community to exercise and be involved in sport covers one of the biggest ranges of ages across all sports and golf courses maintain the ecology in city and towns.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Investment in a Healthy Community will reduce Health Board costs.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: From a Golfing point of view access for the community to exercise and be involved in sport covers one of the biggest ranges of ages across all sports and golf courses maintain the ecology in city and towns.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Tell us why: Internationally golf course are one of the best managed land areas in a cities or towns.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: A club like Howick is on Crown Land and gives access to well over 150,000 golfers and the wider community. The maintenance and development of these areas focusing on native flora and fauna and management of feral animals all paid for by the patrons.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: It appears much of the land is well suited currently as golf courses when used as storm water relief areas.

   The game has a wide usage of land unsuitable of other sporting activity.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Areas like Chamberlin Park or Thomas Park Takapuna are poor land areas for development becuase of the settled land masses.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Unsure of all other course programmes and status of directives.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   KIS

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I'd be happy to see fewer golf courses and more green open space for the public to be able to access all of the time. Some parts could be considered for housing as long as it is at least six stories high with communal green roofs and includes mixed-use.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Too much valuable open green space owned by the public but denied acces.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I don't mind some golf activities being retained as long as the majority of the public space is accessible to those that don't want to play golf as well.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: This is important and we can and indeed, need to do better in this area.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: It's a good idea.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Absolutely support this. It's public space and should be accessible to all, not just golfers.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Catering to a wider group of people is good, after all this is publicly owned space..

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: This should be the case for all public green spaces.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The Council provides many green spaces for community activities. People choose what activity suits their lifestyle, budget, interest, ability, etc. Providing nine hole public course like the one at Ellerslie, is perfect for those wanting to see if the game suits their temperament. 18 holes of golf is definitely for the dedicated.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf courses that have been planned, developed, and maintained are not for fun activities. There is a protocol to every sport, and the better maintained clubs offer new player support in that protocol. If you want a hit and giggle game, then public nine h

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I would love to see the statistics and transparency on how the Council knows that people want to play golf but can't! I certainly didn't see any survey. My understanding is that golf has had a resurgent in players and keeping golfer has never been an issue as it's considered a disease - ask any golfers' wife.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

Don't support

Tell us why: I can't believe there is a golf course in the world that does not have policy to support conservation of their land.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Robust investment framework would indicate there would be many relevant stakeholders involved in making decisions that benefits us all.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: NO - golf clubs are for golf - your H & S policies could never cope with flying golf balls spaying into areas that are used for other recreation.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Please don't dumb down this historic, skillful and enjoying sport - by all means lower subs so everyone can join and learn the art of golf, but then the Council will be up for huge maintenance and financial backing for the Clubs to remain viable.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Clubs should be asked to do this anyway.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Golf clubs are like race courses, they take up huge pockets of land that has become precious for several reasons. You cannot force someone to play any sport - sport people are dedicated for their own reasons. Targeting golf courses is unfair, no one is isolated from the game as it's an inclusive sport - you have to select the level you wish to play for your enjoyment. I might like to play rugby league but already I know

that is not available to me - I am concerned about it? No, I find another sport that I can play - I'm a sports person. Provide and care for green spaces, swimming pools, public 9 hole golf clubs but please leave the serious clubs alone to do what they do best - provide a safe environment for a wide and diversified group of people.

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#783

Draft Golf Investment Plan

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Howick

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Poorly written document full of inaccuracies, Strongly suggest that the document be re-written to include accurate information that portrays how the local golf clubs located on Council owned land are performing. It is disturbing to note the number of incorrect assumptions and false numerical detail included in the report that do not reflect the true picture,

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf has grown exponentially in the last few years with many golf clubs operating at maximum capacity indicating there is not enough golf courses in the Auckland region. This is supported by the fact a number of clubs have extended their opening hours. I

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Yes that is an option. Many clubs have implemented change to accommodate more people, playing more golf, more often. I refer to the success of new virtual golf courses that have attracted non-golfers to have a go. Many have implemented others activities to the general public such as twilight golf, futures golf, walking groups and club house functions . These activities have created a community hub effect instead of what used to be a closed shop golf club. If you check the strategic direction of golf clubs now you will find that all have a diverse and inclusive, community focused common goal.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Tell us why: All clubs are very environmentally aware and have best practice policies in place using GEO and Audubon internationally recognised guidelines in place.

   A number of clubs are work in conjunction with DOC and Auckland Council to ensure they operate at optimum level to ensure they are environmentally safe and are collectively working on projects such as Pest Free 2250.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: With increased membership, the number of rounds played and the extent of other than traditional golf activities most clubs are now are economically viable and operating at peak capacity.

   As part of their strategic plans most clubs are looking to diversif

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: With clubs operating at peak capacity there is minimal opportunity to expand the use of golf clubs for traditional 18-hole golf. New formats including virtual golf, mini-golf, short form golf have created opportunities for the wider community to participa

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Tell us why: As indicated above golf clubs modus operandi has changed dramatically thanks to COVID. More people are playing golf more often - its just not in the traditional way that we were accustomed to.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: It is my understanding that from data available all clubs are committed to working in an environmentally friendly and sustainable manner with a number enrolled in internationally recognised programmes. Some are Geo Certification (GEO Certified® a compreh

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

I am a golf club member of some 30 years here in Auckland and work in the golf industry. I am astounded that a Council could put together such an ill-informed and poorly researched proposal.

I strongly suggest that the draft investment plan be withdrawn, anomalies and errors corrected, the current situation be further researched in conjunction with clubs and golf administration and be re-written.

I am sure you will find that clubs are now very aware of the need to be more community focused and environmentally friendly and are working strategically to achieve those goals.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   I request for withdrawal due to the disappointing consultation process and Plan that is based on historical data

   no longer relevant for the future of golf. The Plan is not balanced, and does not present a fair or accurate picture

   of the golfing landscape in Auckland.

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: To start, I can see that a great deal of effort has gone into the creation of the plan. I acknowledge and to a degree agree with some of the broader aspects that this plan is looking to promote. Having said this, the report seems to have been based on some data that is inaccurate, old and is some cases factually incorrect. I can not accept something so "strategic" like this being sent out for public consultation with such large inaccuracies. Below one of the questions is

   FROM ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils

   TO a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   How can you build something that you call robust that isn't based on the latest data.

   I know people within local council and also the sports bodies involved and know for a fact that a "robust" consultation process has not been followed. Why would you not engage with relevant bodies to ensure the draft plan is accurate before being sent to the public. this is essentially misleading the public and again how can you consider that robust.

   The draft plan mentions declining membership. Since 2013, golf club membership within Auckland has grown 29% to 31,739 and I understand that golf membership is more than rugby/netball/football combined. This growth is 31% since 2017. These facts are undeniable and were included with evidence in the Golf NZ submission. Also in the Golf NZ submission was juniors membership increasing by 71% since 2018, again completely disproving your plan statement that membership is in decline.

   With approx 1.1mill competitive rounds played per year, that equates to 4.4mill of exercise. Reducing the number of courses will have a direct impact on this.

   Your plan does not take into account any population growth over the next 20-30 years. Reducing the number of courses will mean that less people will ultimately have regular access to a course. Without regular access people will migrate to easier to access forms of recreation.

   Auckland already has a wide range of both public and private golf facilities that cater for serious, member, casual, youth, gender, ethnicity and income levels. If making golf even more accesible is your goal, then why wouldnt you work with already existing organisations and perhaps create new ones. There is 6 hole, 9 hole, 18 hole opprotunities, mini golf, driving ranges, indoor facilities, school and community

programmes, programmes targeting juniors/females/monority. The framework is already there, it just perhaps needs some expert assistance from council - to use your words to make it more robust.

The following is a direct copy and paste FYI:

Active New Zealand Survey (2019) undertaken by Sport New Zealand highlights golf as one of the most popular sport and recreation activities for adults with 10% of Aucklanders participating in the last 12 months. For context, participation football (7%), netball (5%), cricket (4%) hockey (2%) and rugby (2%).

17% of males have played golf in the last 12 months

o Male participation across other sports, football (10%), tennis (9%), cricket (7%) and rugby (4%)

o 5% of females have played golf in the last 12 months

o Female participation across other sports, netball (8%), tennis (7%), football (4%), cricket (2%) and rugby (1%).

as per Golf NZ submission, Golf has higher participation rates across Euro/Maori/PI/Asian that Football, Cricket and rugby - how can you send a draft report out to public saying that golf caters to a narrow section !

Disability organisations such Halberg Disability Sport Foundation, Blind Sport and Special Olympics work in partnership with golf facilities in Auckland to run All Abilities programmes providing accessible experiences for disabled peoples to learn and play golf.

The environmental concerns is admirable. Has any modelling been completed to see if this is sustainable financially and also knowledge wise ? If the course isnt kept in great shape membership and participation will decrease.

Auckland Golf and North Golf and the 37 golf clubs already have adopted an environmental policy. why cant you assist to make this more "robust" in your own words than stripping everything down

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control. there is already plenty of areas for other sport and recreation across auckland

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: see above, already been worked on, just needs tweaks, why should this be essentially under one organisations complete control.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   see above

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Being apart of a golf club is a privilege, paying to be a member, playing and having great facilities comes at a cost. Some clubs are cheaper than others but this also reflects on the facilities. Not everyone should be allowed to be apart of that membersh

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Would be good to get more people involved however is this going to impact on the current members?

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Is this going to have an impact on the current members?

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The council owned golf courses tend to be Development Courses, these are courses for the beginner golfer. They are generally more inclusive and more reasonably priced than more advanced private courses. Removal of these courses will restrict the ability for golf to be inclusive.

   I also strongly disagree with the notion that golf is not inclusive. It is one of the only sports played by participants of all ages. I regularly play with people in there teens or earlier, as well as people in their 70's, of both genders. This is very rare for a sport.

   Golf also allows people more advanced in years to carry on being active and competitive, which should be celebrated and protected.

   There are always 'better' uses for public land, but this is extremely subjective. Golf requires open space to play, and this often needs to be provided by councils. Once the land has been designated for another use, then it's lost forever, and I believe it would be a huge shame if Auckland did not retain the ability for the beginner golfer to develop their skills in our city.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I also strongly disagree with the notion that golf is not inclusive. It is one of the only sports played by participants of all ages. I regularly play with people in there teens or earlier, as well as people in their 70's, of both genders. This is very ra

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

Partially support

Tell us why: I support the use of courses as more introductory courses, as this is lacking in Auckland, and also for better participation in golf. I also do not object for splitting the use of some development courses to mix of introductory courses and general open space parkland for public use.

In general, I support the shift towards better participation in golf, across the board, and to increase inclusion in golf. But I don't support the breaking up of public land currently set aside for golf, into other uses. I see this as a slipper slope that could lead to a reduction in golf participation.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: This sounds like just words to me to tell rate payers what they want to hear. If this means 'We will invest in strategies to increase participation in golf long term' then I support, if this means 'We will seek to break up publicly owned land currently se

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Opens the door for land to first to turn to open space, which subsequently gets set aside for housing. Then Aucklanders lose everything.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Development courses are extremely important. Agree introductory courses

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

Tell us why: Provided it doesn't hinder the use for golf purposes. Auckland Council would be much better served improving wastewater infrastructure if they are truly worried about ecosystem management.

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I think it's a bit harsh given the increase in recent golf #'s year on year and the growth of the game. I understand golf takes up a lot of land however is a game for all ages unlike other sports.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is easy, social and caters to all ages and health requirements. Just requires lower entry points

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Starter courses would be nice

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Use updated numbers. Regardless of Covid, the game has grown and grabbed traction with consistent YoY growth.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I agree with aims to help and encourage more people to take up golf, as it is a healthy, sociable and friendly activity.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The land needs to be used as a golf course, which currently have been developed and are maintained by the clubs at their own cost with little or no financial support from Council. (Unlike all the team sports where the grounds are maintained and marked ou

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: It gives people a chance to try the game, but financial support from the Council needs to be available to assist in this matter, (as currently the council do not provide and assistance either by way of maintenance of grounds or supply of machinery and staff).

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Always good to have biodiversity of land.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: If people are not interested in trying to play golf then they can do whatever else they want to, eg walking/running in parks, on walkways and around coastal area.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is totally unrealistic to allow people to walk through golf courses for health and safety reasons. Players (even pros) are not good enough to hit very shot just where they want. Similarly it would be unreasonable to let people stroll across football or

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Most golf clubs do welcome beginners - including children - to join, but everyone has to pay a fair share as there is no funding from Council

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Always good to follow these aims

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Yes, there is a clear non-sequitur, where the draft stresses the need to make facilities available for all Aucklanders, but in another place it talks about moving golf courses out to the rural areas.

   How does that make golf accessible to more Aucklanders?

   Golf facilities (like football, cricket, tennis, etc. as well as parks and reserves) need to be available in close proximity to where people live, so they don't need to travel long distances to access the game.

   A great way for youngsters to work their way into golf is the Golf warehouse facility at Ellerslie race course, where there is a driving range and a par 3 course to get started on. Unfortunately the similar one

on Ormiston Rd. East Tamaki has closed down, but such facilities could be the way that council consider investing in the development of the game for youngsters to start the game at the council funded cost.

eg. On the vast spaces of Sir Barry Curtis Park and probably many other such places around the wider Auckland area.

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