

7 September 2023

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To the Submitters

Tēnā koe

HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS ON THE DRAFT ORAKEI LOCAL PARKS MANAGEMENT PLAN

The submissions on the draft Orakei Local Parks Management Plan will be heard by a panel consisting of **Helen Mellsop (Chairperson), Scott Milne, Sarah Powrie, Angus Mcphee** and **Troy Churton** at a Hearing to be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, 28 September 2023
Time: 9.30am
Venue: Orakei Local Board boardroom
25 St Johns Road
Meadowbank
Auckland

You are invited to attend the meeting at **9.30am** when the panel will hear the submissions in support of, or opposing, the Draft Orakei Local Parks Management Plan.

A copy of the officer's report and accompanying information will be available on council's website at least two working days before the hearing, at the following address:

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say/hearings/find-hearing/Pages/find-a-reserve-act-hearing.aspx>

If you plan to present a submission or evidence, please make at least **8 copies** available at the time of the hearing for the panel members and for other parties who are likely to attend.

If the hearing is held virtually, or you plan to attend virtually, please ensure your evidence is provided to the Hearings Advisor electronically before the hearing commences. The panel members will have already read your original submission and they will have that in front of them at the hearing. You do not need to read your original submission, this is an opportunity for you to inform the hearing panel of your key points and outline what you like and/or don't like about the draft plan.

Following the hearing of submissions, the panel will deliberate in private and then make a recommendation to the Orakei Local Board. You will be advised of the decision in due course.

Those submitters who speak at the hearing will be allocated 10 minutes each, including question time from the panel. If you require longer, you can apply to the Hearing Panel Chair via the Hearings Advisor with the time required and reasons why it is required. The chair will consider your request and you will be advised of the outcome accordingly.

If you would like to speak at the meeting, please fill in the attached appearance form and return it to me no later than Wednesday, 20 September 2023.

The safety and wellbeing of our customers, team members and communities in Auckland is important to us. If you are sick or have COVID-19 symptoms, please do not attend the hearing in-person.

For those participants who cannot attend in person or who wish to attend virtually, please let the Hearings Advisor know by Wednesday, 20 September 2023 (or as soon as possible before the hearing) and they will send you a MSTeams link prior to the hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 977 6993 if you have any questions in relation to this hearing.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie McKee'.

Julie McKee
Kaitohutohu Whakawātanga
Hearings Manager