

# Mission Bay Kohimarama Residents Association

## Update October 2016



**Here is an update on some of the things going on in our area that we hope you find interesting.**

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## New bus route to replace 717

Auckland Transport are changing the bus routes and schedules for their Southern Network on 30 October. In general, this does not impact our area, except for the current 717 services between Otahuhu and Britomart which travel via Glen Innes and Orakei.

These services have been assigned new route numbers (mainly 719), now terminate at Sylvia Park rather than Otahuhu, and have revised schedules. As far as I can see, the route taken through our area is the same.

The changes are poorly publicised, but you can find the detailed new schedule [here](#).

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## **Auckland Marathon 30 October**

The Auckland Marathon will be run this Sunday, 30 October. As for previous years, this means that Tamaki Drive will be closed from 6am to 1pm from Ngapipi Rd through to St Heliers. A single westbound lane will be open from Ngapipi Rd to the city for all traffic, and a single westbound lane will be open for essential vehicles (which I believe includes residents, but I am not sure) from Goldie St to Atkin Ave.

No parking will be allowed on Tamaki Drive after 5am.

If any of you are running in this event, all the very best.

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## **Mission Bay streetscape update**

The Mission Bay streetscape project is making good progress. Much of the underlying civil work has now been completed, with concrete pads poured and kerbing underway. This phase of the project has been the most disruptive to local businesses, but life gets easier from now on. It is already possible to get an advance taste of the finished product, with tables temporarily set out on the newly expanded area. It already feels a lot more spacious than before, even if it is still a bit rough without any paving laid. A side benefit of all the work has been that the project site has been a paradise for certain 2 year olds who love diggers!

The project is still due to be completed in early December.

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## **New Councillor and Local Board**

The results of the recent local body elections are in, and we have a new Councillor and new Local Board for Orakei,

Our new Councillor is Desley Simpson, who had previously been the Chair of the Local

Board. Desley did a great job on the Local Board and we expect she will do a similarly great job representing us on Auckland Council.



Desley Simpson

The Local Board will now comprise:



Carmel Claridge



Troy Churton



Colin Davis



Toni Millar



Kit Parkinson



Rosalind Rundle



David Wong

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## Public Meeting - National Party

The Kohimarama/Mission Bay branch of the National Party are holding a

**Public Meeting tonight, 27 October  
at the Kohi Presbyterian Church  
34 Kohimarama Road.**

The speaker will be Sam Lotu-liga , who is the Minister of Local Government, Minister for Ethnic Communities, Minister for Pacific Peoples, and Associate Minister of Health.

This meeting is open to the public.

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We hope this newsletter has been useful for you. Let us know if you have any suggestions, issues to raise or comments.

Best regards

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