



2 October 2017

Orakei Local Board
Panuku Development

Cc: Ed Ouwens, Mission Bay Tennis Club
Rod Smith

Mission Bay Bowling Club premises

The Mission Bay Bowling Club has closed, leaving the land and buildings available for alternative use. We understand that the assets have been transferred to Panuku for consideration of their future use.

While we do not currently have strong views on any specific use of these Council assets, we believe that it is critically important that they remain available as community assets for the benefit of local residents. This is particularly so given that this area has been earmarked for more intensive development than most of Auckland under the Unitary Plan, but there are no plans for additional community assets to support this growth. At the very least, we need to ensure those assets already available are retained for community use.

We are aware of the proposal by the Mission Bay Tennis Club and Rod Smith to turn the facility into a multisport centre that would cater for a range of sports and training facilities and also provide meeting rooms for use by local organisations. This proposal is the only one that we are aware of which meets our requirement for the facility to remain as a community asset, and so we endorse this proposal.

It would be particularly disappointing if the land were to be sold for housing development and lost from the community, and so we urge you to work with the Tennis Club and Rod to help develop their proposal into a viable plan.

Yours sincerely

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