## AUCKLAND PLAN REFRESH CONSULTATION 2018

## LONG TERM PLAN (10 Year Plan) Consultation

**Community vision:**

We wish to be able to swim and carry out water sports in the Waitemata and Manukau Harbours. We believe that Auckland’s harbours and streams should not represent a risk to the health of Aucklanders. The Safeswim site advising Aucklanders of where it may be safe to swim is a start but is not a long term sustainable solution. We need clean water. In the twenty first century, Auckland cannot allow waste water and untreated stormwater to flow into our streams and beaches.

**We support the initiatives in the Auckland Plan Refresh relating to Water Quality.**

* We view this version of the Auckland Plan as the start of the projects required to clean up our harbours and streams.
* Clean water will require further budgeted long term plan expenditure in ten years’ time and in 20 years’ time. We want to see sustainable long term AC commitment to stormwater infrastructure.

**We support the initiatives in the Long Term Plan (10 Year Budget) relating to Water Quality.**

* We support the regional Water Quality targeted rate to fund Healthy Waters’ part of the Water Quality Improvement Programme (WQIP) to help achieve at least an 80% reduction in waste water overflows within ten years. We understand that this money will be ‘ring fenced’ and must be spend on stormwater projects to improve Auckland’s water quality.
* We support WQIP and approximately $2 billion of funding for wastewater and stormwater projects during the next 10 years.

**AUCKLAND COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

* We expect Auckland’s Harbours to meet the Government’s target of making 90 percent of New Zealand’s large rivers and lakes swimmable by 2040, with an interim target of 80 percent swimmable by 2030.
* One immediate change required is that all stormwater must be treated to screen and remove both visible detritus and the pathogens and heavy metals that pollute our waterways.
* We expect that sewage and stormwater will be separated within the next 30 years. We note that the 2014 Combined Network Discharge consents were granted until 2049, and expect that separation would be achieved before these consents expire.
* We ask Auckland Council to increase its operational budget for water compliance monitoring (such as illegal connections), and for maintaining catch pits and screening devices in top condition. This is essential to ensure that both large capital investment in stormwater infrastructure will achieve improved water quality, and new developments are fully compliant.
* We ask that 3 Waters Infrastructure be given top priority in funding decisions, and that the Western Isthmus WQIP programme is initiated immediately, as a matter of urgency.

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We wish to speak in support of our submission **Yes/ No**

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(10 Year Budget Question 2 relates to the above)

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