



Dear members,

We hope you are all adjusting to the latest changes with Omicron. It has of course meant that people are not going out and organising gatherings so hall bookings have dropped off.

The Arts and Crafts Fair has missed out again and been postponed until November.

In terms of the wider Waiheke community, the committees from the Island's Residents Associations had a meeting with the Local Board on Sunday as follow last year's meeting. In addition to a review of current Local Board activities, discussion was held about the many items that are currently out for consultation. These include:

Local Parks Management Plan-<https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/waiheke-local-parks-management-plan>. You will notice that there is not a lot of detailed action or definite decisions about what will happen. The Local Board asked that we check that all the current parks and reserves are accurately portrayed in the plan, the classification is correct, and that any issues that might have been missed are picked up.

Auckland Council Budget-<https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/hub-page/annual-budget-2022-2023>. This has just come out for consultation. As the average residential rates are expected to go much higher on Waiheke than across all of Auckland (due to the above average increase of property values here) we were advised to go through the budget carefully and suggest cuts. This would also include feedback on the targeted Climate Change Rate. So, if you are sitting at home with nothing to do, there is plenty that needs your urgent attention.

Speed Limit Changes-https://haveyoursay.at.govt.nz/speed-limit-changes-around-auckland-phase-three?utm_campaign=ehq_transactional_email&utm_content=promotions&utm_medium=email&utm_source=ehq&utm_source=ehq&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=website. This is Auckland wide but includes Waiheke.

Marine Reserve-<https://www.doc.govt.nz/get-involved/have-your-say/all-consultations/2022-consultations/proposed-hakaimango-matiatia-northwest-waiheke-marine-reserve/> Auckland

Regional Parks Management Plan (Due tomorrow, March 4, so hurry)-

<https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/regional-parks-management-plan>

Finally, we haven't organised a social for this month as it seems that people would prefer to stay at home. Let's hope that things are looking better for a well earned in-person social in early April!

What's on at the hall



Sat, 12 & 26 March, 8.30am
Sun 6 March 9am
Also check our website calendar

YOGA with Stephanie Nelson
Contact Stephanie to see if there are still places available on: 021 236 4414 or waihekeislandashtangayoga@gmail.com



Usually Sundays, 4pm
Check our website calendar

Table Tennis
with Fiona Mavré and his kids
Contact Hervé if there are still places available on: 020 4091 3221 or fionamavre@yahoo.fr

Our bank account number is 12-3114-0061489-00 in case you want to pay your subs/koha or make a donation.