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## QUESTIONNAIRE:

**ORGANISATION:** .....

**Contact: Name**.....

Ph.....Email.....

**Location:** .....

**Environment:** Tidal..... Beach..... Marina.....

**Facilities:** Haul-out.....Hardstand..... Ramp ..... Members only: Y / No  
 Boat storage.....Lockers..... Dry-stack.... Members only: Y / No.  
 Patrol Boats: Storage ..... Water Access .....Ramp /Beach /Public  
 Dinghies: Ramp access- Sealed..... Sand ..... Members / Public  
 Rigging area..... Grass / sealed; Members / public  
 Parking ..... Cars..... Trailers.....

**Programme** Fleets – Keeler..... Dinghies.....SUPs.....Boards.....Waka.....  
 Learn-to Sail.....Adults.....Junior.....Schools.....  
 Education Courses: .....

**Membership** Age Range..... Location Range.....

**Club House:** Ownership.....Leasehold.....  
 Land Tenure..... Leasehold.....  
 Rental.....

Kitchen..... Changing Rooms.....Bar.....

Venue Hire..... Restrictions..... Hours.....

**Venue Users:** Martial arts, .....  
 Community groups, .....  
 Others - .....

**Other Maritime users:** Waka Ama, Surf skis, SUPs, Wind/kite/foil sailors, Dragon Boats, Kayaks,  
 Others.....

**Affiliated Memberships:** Kayaks, Waka, Dragon Boats, Surf Skis, SUPS, .....

**General Public Usage of area – Activities:**.....

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**Approx. User Nos:** Members & Assoc..... Public.....Venue Hire.....

**Comments & Suggestions:**.....

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**HELP PRESERVE OUR REGIONAL ASSETS  
OUR COASTAL ENVIRONMENT & ACCESS.**

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**For a Brief Summary of working towards a Coastal Plan please see below.**



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## **AUCKLAND YACHTING & BOATING ASSOCIATION INC. WORKING TOWARDS A REGIONAL COASTAL PLAN A BRIEF SUMMARY**

**Our member Clubs and non-affiliated yacht & boating Clubs** host not only their members, but the families and friends, spectators & guests. Their members generally are from the wider community – they are regional facilities catering for a wide range of ages and ethnicities from across the city - not just their local board areas. They are the venues for numerous other aquatic sports and activities.

Their facilities are available for a variety of people and purposes, the hire charges being necessary to offset the maintenance costs of these facilities for which the Clubs are solely responsible and for the Council leasehold costs, some of which are exorbitant.

The land tenure of some Clubs is “secure” while others could be affected by planning changes.

In 2017, the Auckland Yachting & Boating Association Inc (AYBA) lodged a full report, with SPORT AKTIVE and Auckland Council, on our coastal facilities. This was in response to a report by SPORTS AKTIVE, AUCKLAND, for the Future Proofing of Sport and Recreation Facilities in Auckland which appeared to ignore that large proportion of Auckland’s population that use our foreshore and marine environment for their sport and recreation and their mental well-being.

The AYBA report included a list of the **110 plus sports & recreation organisations**. It included all the yachting and boating clubs which are shown to be valuable community assets, not just for their members but for the wider community. **It was tabled and accepted at a full Auckland Council Meeting in 2017.**

A document which included all Marinas and Commercial hardstands was also tabled with Council at the same time by the Auckland Marina Users Association but **its acceptance was declined!**

### **PRIOR TO THE SUPER CITY:**

**The Auckland Region** was managed by 8 Regional Bodies that planned and administered their territories with due consideration of all aspects. Over-ruling their decisions, when appropriate, was the Auckland Regional Council (ARC) with a Coastal Plan for the protection of our coastal and Marine Environment.

### **THEN CAME THE SUPER CITY!**

**NOW!** There are 21 local Boards all making parochial decisions on their own little patch. **There are 14 Council Wards** the boundaries of which are not always aligned with the local boards. Councillors are elected for the wards but they cannot (or are loath to) override the Community Board decisions and yet they are responsible for the allocation of the funding to their local boards.

**Half the area of Auckland City is estuaries, rivers, harbours & the Hauraki Gulf.**

## **AUCKLAND IS A MARITIME CITY!!**

Our coastal & marine environment is the “life space” of Auckland city where, it is estimated over 64% - 1,000,000 ++ Aucklanders - enjoy their sport and recreation AND refresh their mental well-being.

## **BUT THERE IS NO COORDINATED COASTAL PLAN.**

The Unitary Plan permits Zoning changes to allow for “Residential Intensification”.  
“Fast Tracking” Laws could see the removal of the need to publicly notify changes!

Factors controlling all these facilities are governed by the Laws which govern the operations of the Super City as set up by Government and included in the Unitary Plan.

## **THE UNITARY PLAN WHICH IS UNDER REVIEW MUST INCLUDE A COASTAL PLAN TO PROTECT OUR TRADITIONAL USE OF OUR COASTAL & MARINE ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE!!**

The AYBA, as the only organisation seen as speaking for all marine activities in the Auckland Region our focus on a Coastal Plan is obvious & necessary.

Towards this aim we need to update our **Future Proofing Plan for all Coastal & Marine Activities.**

### **Recent Regional Assets that have been lost:**

- **LOST: The haul-out facilities at Okahu Bay**, a major Regional asset for over 80 years, acknowledged 10 years ago by our Deputy Mayor as an outstanding facility and the only Blue Flagged environmental haul-out in the southern hemisphere is now closed. **A local Board decision.**
- **LOST: The haul-out area at Little Shoal Bay** which serviced small family boats from a around the harbour has been closed. **The local Board decisions.**
- **LOST: The Bayswater Marine** zoned as a Marine Precinct by the Environment Court with the support of North Shore Community was **re-zoned by the UNITARY PLAN for Housing Intensification. ANOTHER MARINE PRECINCT LOST!**
- **THREATENED: Pine Harbour, Westpark/Hobsonville** are enabled for further housing development and are threatened. – **Unitary Plan Zoning permitting Housing Intensification..**

**And now there is another threat – FAST TRACKING! The decision is due in October.**

**Help us protect our world for the future of SAIL AUCKLAND!**

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For the Auckland Yachting & Boating Association Inc.

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