



**Auckland Bowling Club (Inc)**  
*Founded 1861*

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Dear Michael

**Re: Car Park Operation and Management Agreement**

We are replying to your letter to ABC dated 7 June 2017.

We have executed the Agreement and returned. Please convey our appreciation to the Domain Board on this matter.

ABC has undergone considerable transformation in the last 12 months. For the second year in a row, we have a new Board regime operative. Greame Scott, whom you have had much to do with in the past, has left the Board and has been appointed Patron of ABC. Greame is now Vice President of Auckland Bowls Inc., the governing body for the Auckland region. There is little doubt that in that capacity he can assist greatly our cause.

The governance at ABC has improved dramatically. Our Treasurer has his own accounting practice and has brought strong accounting disciplines to our organisation. The appointment of a full-time Club Manager sees our operational controls strengthened on a day to day basis.

The Board is embarking on the development of a 5-year Strategic Plan and this will be completed early in the new year. ABC is the oldest Bowling Club in the Southern Hemisphere. This is a unique facility, with unique history and with an historic partnership with Auckland Council.

We wish to become a world class bowling facility and provide an outstanding recreational facility for our community. We want to be a community and active sports venue with a difference, demonstrating a down to earth reality that appeals to all Aucklanders. We need to develop our partnership to achieve this.

We have also recently begun undertaking an overall refresh of our image, brand and building. This will lead to a better experience for members, visiting bowlers, functions and community groups using our facilities and greens. The overall refresh will also lead to more effective and informative communication and promotion, sponsorship opportunities and community initiatives. We anticipate spending approximately \$200,000. We have already seen benefits here in that Auckland Bowls and Bowls NZ have been making increased use of our greens for both Centre and National events.

We would welcome the opportunity to present our Strategic Plan to the Domain Board in the new year so that we may foster a better understanding and move forward together. Please advise if this is possible.

Kind regards

Tony Banks – Chairman Auckland Bowling Club

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