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To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Mount Wellington Rugby Club at Hamlin Park

Auckland Rugby Union (ARU) and its affiliated club Mount Wellington RC is a major user group of Hamlin Park. ARU fully supports the proposed Mount Wellington Rugby and Softball initiative to further utilise Hamlin Park and believes this initiative will enhance both clubs sustainability.

The Mount Wellington Rugby Club is one of ARU's 'premier' clubs and has called Hamlin Park home for nearly 60 years. In that time, Hamlin Park has been designated as Rugby Union fields with developments and upgrades resulting in the quality fields the rugby community enjoys today. In addition, ARU utilise Hamlin Park for representative trainings, tournaments, events and fixtures outside of the club season. ARU is also grateful for the quality of fields and ancillary facilities, which allows minimal disruption to its club and representative programme.

Given the priority use that rugby enjoys at Hamlin Park, representatives of ARU and Mount Wellington Rugby would welcome inclusion on any focus groups to look at specific design features and further collaboration. The intent to encourage greater community activity at Hamlin Park is welcomed by ARU.

Yours sincerely

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