**Komiti Mahi Āta Torotoro Rawa / Strategic Procurement Committee**

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St Mary’s Bay and Masefield Beach water quality improvement project
Project description

- First major project to be delivered through the water quality improvement targeted rate
- Forms part of the Wider Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement Programme to address overflow contamination
- Will reduce overflows from 200 plus to 20 a year at St Mary’s Bay and Masefield Beach as first step towards achieving full outcomes
- Enables waterfront and Westhaven marina development and usage
Project drivers

- Improving stormwater outfall network supports Watercare’s operations
- Reduces public health risk
- Increases public amenity
- Restoring mauri of the harbour
- America’s Cup starts in 2021
Project scope and location

St Marys Bay and Masefield Beach Water Quality Improvement Project
Key risks and mitigations

- Potential changes to notified construction resource consent
  - Working with NZTA, Auckland Motorway Alliance and Auckland Transport
  - Ongoing community consultation is resolving concerns and enabling community contribution to conditions and outcomes
  - Mana whenua support for the project
Key risks and mitigations

- Property owner consents for construction
  - Extensive consultation and property survey begun in April
  - 94 approvals from 109 property owners under the LGA
  - Ongoing work with remaining 15 owners, expecting some to be resolved through resource consent process
  - Regulatory Committee to consider any outstanding objections in November 2018
Stop Auckland Sewage Overflows Coalition

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4 September 2018
Councillor Bill Cashmore
Deputy Mayor and chair Strategic Procurement Committee
By email.

Dear Councillor Cashmore,

Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement Programme (WIWQIP)

We write to you as the chair of the Strategic Procurement Committee.

It has come to our attention that your Committee will meet tomorrow Wednesday, 5 September 2018, and the St Mary's Bay and Masefield Beach water quality improvement project is on the agenda for an update.

An item in the agenda includes the statement that the St Mary's Bay and Masefield Beach water quality improvement project "is one of the first major projects to be funded through the new water quality improvement targeted rate and forms part of the wider Western Isthmus Water Quality Improvement programme." 

This comes as a considerable surprise to us. We have been told in the course of consultation that the St Mary’s Bay Masefield Beach project was proceeding outside of WIWQIP. This is reflected in the agenda and minutes of your committee on 6 September 2017 which show the project as part of the 2017 forward work programme under the annual plan. The separate nature of the project was also given as a reason that it would not be delayed whilst separation in the western isthmus was being investigated. Additionally, we were told prior to WIWQIP being approved in principle by Council’s Environment Committee in September 2017, and well before the Long Term Plan and the targeted water rate were approved by Council’s governing body in June 2018, that funding for the project was already in place.

We are concerned that the funding of WIWQIP in the LTP (which delivered $320 million for water quality improvement in the western isthmus) will be eroded significantly by “backing” the cost of the St Mary’s Bay Masefield Beach project into WIWQIP, particularly before the business plan for projects in the waterfront catchments is finalised. If your committee chooses to fund this project before it is adopted formally by the steering group overseeing WIWQIP (comprising Council and Watercare executives), we ask that it do so as a project outside WIWQIP and the fund provided by the targeted rate.

We ask that this letter be tabled at the meeting tomorrow.
Yours sincerely,

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