North Harbour Sports Council

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To whom it may concern,

We, the North Harbour Sports Council, are writing to advise that we are spearheading a review of the administration and funding of sport in the greater Auckland region.

Covid 19 has given us all a unique opportunity to have a thorough and meaningful review of how the sport sector is funded and organised and to look at ways of improving how sport and recreation is both delivered and consumed in our region's communities in order to get a better outcome for all concerned.

Many clubs and RSOs across the region are undertaking both internal and external reviews because they are facing considerable hardship due to financial and resourcing problems. In many cases, the issues have been bubbling away for many years and Covid 19 has simply shone the light on the need to do something to address the issues before it is too late.

Our communities are struggling to re-engage with sport and recreation following Covid 19 and we firmly believe that the time is right to undertake a comprehensive look at how we can all do it better for the generations present and in the future.

With that in mind we are launching a review of how sport and recreation is funded and how it is delivered in greater Auckland. Ideally, this review will include a cross section of Auckland's community sports organisation's and include both management and operational staff, so we welcome your organisation's involvement and participation.

This comprehensive review will be undertaken by an independently appointed expert who has had a lengthy involvement in sports administration. The review will commence on 26th October 2020 beginning with Harbour Sport and is expected to take approximately ten weeks. Following the review completion, a report with the findings will be published with action points included.

Attached for your information is a full scope of the proposed review. The appointed reviewer will contact you in due course about your participation.

Yours faithfully,

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