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September 16th, 2021

RE: Demolition of Wilson's Beach Jetty

Dear Sue,

Auckland Council are preparing to remove the old jetty from Wilson Beach. The condition of the jetty has significantly deteriorated, with the timber structure in disrepair and the jetty piles rotten. The Jetty is hazardous and poses a serious safety risk to beach users. The Ōrākei Local Board support the removal of the jetty due to these safety concerns. We are notifying all direct neighbours on Victoria Ave and community groups who have an interest in the Jetty and the local area. This demolition work will be carried out by specialist contractors employing a strict site safety plan and adhering to set protocols whilst operating within the coastal marine area.

Auckland Councils Heritage Unit have reviewed the Jetty and formed the view that recording the structure as a heritage asset would not be a necessary exercise, due to the level of renewal undertaken over the jetty's lifetime, however, will be documenting the demolition process to record the history.

How will the works be carried out?

The contractor will breakdown the jetty structure and carry it off the beach by hand or be using a small digger to track heavy material from the work area back to the hightide zone. A rotating grapple attached to a small excavator will be used to remove the piles.

At the end of each day material will be loaded on to a 4-wheel truck and removed from site. Track mats will be used to protect the transition onto the beach. All demolition material will be removed from the beach. Access to the Hobson Bay coastal walkway and Wilsons's beach access will be maintained.

When will this work begin?

The work to remove the jetty is dependent on a change to Covid alert level 3, with work commencing once Auckland moves into alert Level 3. It is anticipated work will take place in October the demolition of the jetty structure is expected to take 4 to 5 days. The works will be undertaken during a week of low tides occurring in the morning to enable access to the work site. The works will be restricted to the hours of 7:30am-4.30pm on weekdays only (excluding public holidays).

Regards,

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