

## ALBANY

Name: - David Willmott

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

Albany

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

**No Response**

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Very important both for fitness and for social skills development, then use of all three for enjoyment.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

Like most other facilities normally provided in Auckland, sports grounds should be added proportionately to playing population as Auckland grows. Planning for same would be a staff function.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

Played hockey including golden oldies until recently, rugby while overseas, tennis for 40years, cricket when young. Also coached and umpired school teams for almost 10 years

Name: - Linda Cooper

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

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### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

**No Response**

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Sport has multiple benefits individually & collectively in our communities. Personal health, social connection, families playing and training together, development of our athletes into elite sportsmen and women and developing a sense of team work, fair play and aspiration and achievement in society. It gives opportunities to learn coaching and governance skills in club settings. Above all it can provide a lot of fun and a very healthy recreational option.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

I will continue to speak up and vote for sports facilities funding in areas identified as short of particular facilities, the planning for and purchase of land for sports fields. I have been the alternate Waitakere member of ARPASS and am well aware of the gaps in provision and the current Strategy document. As a Youth advocate it is crucial to make sure our young people are encouraged and given access to sport.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

A keen runner and gym member. As a Councillor(6 years) and Waitakere Licensing Trustee(9 years) I lobbied for and supported funding for Te Pai Netball Centre. I have advocated for and supported millions of dollars in grants towards sports clubs, tournaments and facilities. Sponsorship of Waitakere United soccer, Diamonds and Mystics Netball teams. Construction of Henderson Hockey Turf and Waitakere Bears Softball Club and Waitakere Stadium and Grandstand and additions to Regional Badminton centre in Massey. Part of Active Waitakere Strategy development and now a governance member. Was a member of the Ministry of Health HEHA Network Establishment Group.

## ALBANY - Upper Harbour Board

Name: - Margaret Miles

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

Albany

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Upper Harbour Board

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Participation in sporting activities is a fundamental part of a healthy community. The opportunity to participate in sport is essential for all age groups but especially for our youth. As a prominent Youth court judge said "a kid in sport stays out of court". I believe that involvement in sport teaches us all the importance of getting on with other people and provides the opportunity for youth to develop leadership qualities.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

As different Councils under our present system have differing policies for sportsfield use by their residents I will advocate for the North Shore's zero sportsfield charges to be applied across the region. The standard of facilities and grounds also varies considerably. This is obvious with the number of cancellations we hear for Saturday sport. Therefore I will seek the introduction of a programme for the upgrade and maintenance of sportsfields to allow for greater winter utilisation of the regions sports facilities.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

In the past I participated in squash at a competitive level, badminton and horse riding. Currently I ride a road bike to try and keep fit. Through my three children I have been involved in committees of soccer clubs, cricket clubs and pony club. As a North Shore City Councillor for 15 years I have advocated for all sport groups supporting them in funding applications to council and led the charge to remove sports field charges when I held the position of chair of the Parks committee (a position I held for 11 years).

## ALBANY - Hibiscus Coast

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Name: - John Watson

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

Albany

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Hibiscus Coast subdivision

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Sport is fundamental to the NZ way of life. More now than ever it is essential as a means of engaging all sectors of our society from children right through to seniors. Sport has so much to offer both individuals and communities - the benefits to health (mental and physical) and to social cohesiveness are immense.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

Sports that are growing (as indeed most of them are with the increase in population) require the provision of fields and facilities to keep pace not just for the games but also for practices. I would advocate strongly for the requisite open space and playing field ratios set out by most of the previous councils' strategies and for individual clubs on an individual basis.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

I have played senior cricket, rugby, rugby league and Aussie rules. I have coached secondary school teams in rugby, cricket and rugby league. I have captained teams on the North Shore in all these codes and assisted in the administration of the various clubs when required albeit from a player's perspective. At the moment I coach a children's touch rugby team and help with another in basketball. When working as a teacher I take a number of physical education classes.

## ALBANY - Kumeu Subdivision

Name: - Brian Neeson

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

Albany

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Kumeu subdivision

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Sport is the key to healthy social, mental and physical well-being. A Waitakere city councillor and former policeman who is prominent in Waitakere sports and athletics says "into sport out of court". His name is Ross Dallow. He is right. He is responsible for the City Council's decision to build the trust stadium, the sports arena and other amenities. As a former member of Parliament I supported him and do today. I believe it is imperative that we moved our children from a behind computer screens out onto sports grounds.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

The new city council would do the city's young people the greatest service to their social and personal development if it picked up the motto from Ross Dallow "into sport out-of-court" and not only fund and present projects but mounted a campaign to extend and build and promote new assets and personnel for sports promotion.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

I played first 15 rugby, athletics, competitive swimming and coached young people playing soccer. I'm an avid follower of all the above and especially love attending games my grandchildren play. They all play basketball and I am their greatest fan. I help out when I can. I have not recently held any official position but have always been available to help where children are involved.

## ALBANY - Kaipatiki Local Board

Name: - Vivienne Keohane

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

North Shore

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Kaipatiki local board

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

I agree with all that was stated re the importance of sport. Needed for health and mental health as well as social interaction. Very importantly keeping youth out of trouble and teaching good values.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

I would with my one vote advocate for no less than current provisions for support and when we come out of the economic recession, increasing what we have to ensure we keep pace with population growth.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

I have in the past coached primary school netball. Played tennis, hockey and took part in Athletics, was school swimming champion in younger years. More recently, I have competed in Masters ATHletics in Discus, shotput, hammer, javelin and heavy weight throwing. Was for many years an Athletics Coach and helper as well a qualified athletics official.

Name: - Grant Gillon

### 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

North Shore

### 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Kaipatiki local board

### 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

Sport plays a major role in enhancing communities. It adds cherished qualities to people whether young or old. These include vitality, health, team work, culture and strength of character.

### 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

One of the important needs in North Shore is the provision of an all-weather sports field. I will champion this provision in the new Council by developing a strong argument and gaining majority support through the merits of the need. In addition, sports funding needs to be retained and cherished. North Shore City has played a strong role this area in the past and needs to be retained going forward.

### 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

Like most New Zealanders, I grew up playing a number of sports and was fortunate to have gone to school with some of New Zealand's greatest sportsmen and women who have acted as role models for me. I have supported both elite sportspeople and community sports. In Council I championed the provision of funding for a number of clubs and bringing forward budgets to ensure that our sports teams were placed on a strong footing during the transition, and secured necessary project funding for clubs in areas that might miss out in the new Council eg rowing, aquatics, swimming, badminton and the Devonport Yacht Club. This ensured that our sports clubs had security of leases during the transition period and did not lose out if priorities changed during the new Council. As a member of the Birkenhead Licensing Trust, I have supported numerous funding requests for community sports clubs that are in the area incl. the Northcote Yacht Club.

## 1. Personal Details

Name: - Laurie Conder

## 2. Which local ward are you standing for?

Albany

## 3. Which Sub division/board are you standing for?

Upper Harbour Board

East Coast Bays subdivision

## 4. What is your position on the importance sport plays in the community? (Limited to 100 words)

I regard sport equally with arts, and voluntary social services.

## 5. How will you advocate for the provision of sports and grounds / facilities under the new Auckland City structure? (Limited to 100 words)

I believe the Auckland Council and the Local Boards have a social responsibility to provide facilities for sport and other activities in the community, as well as providing support services such as traffic control. However I do not believe it is the responsibility of Council or the Local Board to finance events from rates.

## 6. What involvement have you had in sport and what support have you given sport in any official capacity? (Limited to 100 words)

I have belonged to voluntary service organisations as well as being a committee member of East Coast Bays Rugby Football Club Inc at the time of the movement from Freyberg Park to Windsor Park. Both my late wife Maxine and my son Paul have been Secretary and Treasurer for the Club. I have been a parent of rugby and netball players representing Rangitoto College, East Coast Bays and North Harbour.