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Dear Errol,

Thank you for your comprehensive letter dated 1 August regarding Te Onekiritea- Bomb Point.

I appreciate the concerns you have raised and note the points you made. Unfortunately, there has been some incorrect information circulating that has caused genuine concern in the Hobsonville Point community. On 5 August, HLC issued a press release restating its public commitment for Te Onekiritea / Bomb Point to remain a public reserve for the community. I also note that the HLC Board asked Chris Aiken, HLC Chief Executive, to provide further clarification on the technical issues of rezoning of land, which was sent to the Hobsonville Point Residents' Society on 14 August.

I acknowledge that the discussions between HLC and Auckland Council have been protracted and of concern to residents. Transfer of ownership in these circumstances can be a complex and lengthy process, but HLC's commitment to retaining reserve status is non-negotiable and it intends to honour the original and current agreed joint masterplan.

HLC has confirmed that the 10.7 hectares of land at Te Onekiritea - Bomb Point will remain as reserve as planned. The residential rezoning was a technical requirement to ensure transfer of land to Auckland Council could proceed according to the normal process for such acquisitions, and once Auckland Council acquires Te Onekiritea-Bomb Point it will be rezoned as a reserve. Both HLC and I have every confidence Auckland Council intends to meet the masterplan obligations.

The remaining parts of the process will take place between the Crown and Auckland Council, along with the support of the Upper Harbour Local Board, which shares a commitment for Te Onekiritea - Bomb Point to remain a reserve.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Phil Twyford
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