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## **Feedback Form – Apollo and Orbit Drives Pedestrian Facilities**

### **Introduction**

Business North Harbour, formerly North Harbour Business Association, represents 4,000 commercial property and business owners located within the business district north of Constellation Drive/Upper Harbour Highway and south of Albany metropolitan centre. The number of businesses in this area has grown from 1480 in the year 2000 to 3717 in 2014 \*(source Auckland Council Business Demographic data, 2014).

Our submission on the Pedestrian Facilities on Apollo Drive and Orbit Drive follow.

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### **Assumptions:**

**Business North Harbour has not undertaken independent verification of Auckland Transport's plans.**

**Our positioning is based on the assumption that Auckland Transport's plans are both robust and accurate. If this proves not to be the case, our position and subsequent evidence may need to change.**

### **Our Process**

Auckland Transport had confirmed that letters were sent to the properties within the area.

We personally contacted all the tenants/owners who were in the immediate vicinity of the new changes.

### **Our Findings**

Of the twenty-three companies/owners contacted only five were aware of the changes.

Please find attached the results of the meetings.

There was general support in favour of the pedestrian crossing outside 83 Apollo Drive with the existing safety concern.

As most of the businesses were located around the pedestrian crossing at 83 and Orbit their feedback was for the two. With general acceptance of the bus stops relocation requirement.

However, there was a concern for the requirement of the crossing at 93 in conjunction with the bus stop, resulting in a total of 69.7m of removed street carparks, at 5m per standard carpark that is a decrease in 14 carparks.

It was observed numerous times that it was only a small walking distance to the 83 Apollo pedestrian crossing.

There was also a concern of the increase of 17m of the new no stopping lines on Orbit Drive, which again removes 3 carparks.

### **Requirements**

Confirmation that the new bus stops will be used throughout the existing and new bus schedule changes.

We require further consideration as to the patronage of the park, resulting in the removal of 14 critical parks

### **Conclusion**



Overall we support the new crossings at 83 Apollo Drive and Orbit Drive. However, we require further information on 93 Apollo Drive crossing, also the increased no parking on Orbit Drive as stated.