

Candidate Name	What actions will you take to mitigate sediment discharge into the marine reserve?
LBOGPS Comments	Many comments made were about enforcement for offenders not complying, however, we need to advocate for stonger rules set out in the compliance laws to adhere to. Limited discussion about the developers doing the monitoring? Good comments about increasing monitoring!
Gregg Walden	The Backing the Bays team support controls to mitigate the erosion discharging into the waters. There must be strict enforcement and accountability for offenders not conforming to the compliance laws.
Alezix Heneti	Use the full council resources and approach Central government to assist especially since its obvious that climate change is involved
Victoria Short	-Increasing the number of enforcement officers with a focus on proactive compliance engagement instead of reactive enforcement. -Raising the frequency of sedimentation testing at beaches and marine reserves with strict enforcement on developers who breach obligations. -Educational sessions to smaller builders on sediment control practices.
John Watson	The use of quantity-based sediment controls and the far more effective monitoring and management of silt, specifically around the marine reserve at discharge points and around developments. With the commencement of major earth moving works associated with Penlink imminent, that sort of regime is more important than ever.
Jake Law	I will advocate for more enforcement to encourage compliance protecting waterways, and higher fines for non compliant activity resulting in sediment discharge.
Julia Parfitt	During the last term I was heavily involved with ensuring Council made significant changes to their sedimentation standards policy with new standards implemented in July 2019. As we know no matter how gold plated your standards are, you are not going to address sedimentation discharges unless these standards and conditions are enforced. So this term my focus has been on enforcement and getting sufficient resources to both monitor and enforce these standards Working with Alexis Poppelbaum and members of the Devonport Takapuna and Kaipataki Local Boards we have been able to highlight the issue at Council that has led to more funding and staff being added to deal with these issues at a time when council has been making significant budget cuts. Through advocacy to Local Government New Zealand we have been able to get their commitment at their last AGM this year to nationally engage with Central Government for councils to be able to set fines and at a level that reflects the damage that has been done. Maximum fines of \$2000 for significant sedimentation breaches are ridiculous and the costs of seeking action through the courts is many times that cost and should be met in full by the party damaging the environment.
Sylvia Yang	* Continue to work on sediment control, monitor and code of compliance, and keep improving them. * Increase awareness and education of the effect of sedimentation. * Plant more trees, grasses etc x 1000.
Tony Corbett	Sediment discharge into water ways in a naturally occurring event. However, poorly managed development would exacerbate the situation, but could be mitigated by good management & laws.
Frank Sun	Fund greater monitoring of sedimentation controls on building sites, to help protect our waterways and marine reserve.
Nathan Pont	· I will advocate for further funding to go into monitoring of the sediment controls that occur on construction sites. The team currently do a fantastic job with the resources they have but sadly are so stretched with record number of houses being built. · I will also advocate to ensure that consent conditions that are issued have adequate protection especially when the sites are near by water ways or sensitive areas to ensure that the controls that are being implemented prevent sad occurrences we have in the past. There is a number of critical projects coming up such as Penlink which is a critical infrastructure project. It is important that correct controls are put in place. · Finally, I will ensure that educational events are organised with Auckland Council and local builders to explain the importance of sediment control along with practical knowledge of how the controls are to be installed correctly.

<p>Alexis Poppelbaum</p>	<p>The Local Board has had a sedimentation monitoring programme in place for a couple of years, which has just come to an end now. If elected again I intend on lobbying to have the Local Board fund greater monitoring of sedimentation controls on building sites - this will most likely be funding a person(s) who are dedicated to monitoring and managing compliance of sedimentation controls on building sites in our Local Board area. They will work closely with the Targeted Initiatives Compliance team who do a lot of work in this space (e.g. ensuring building apprentices are educated early on in their training on the importance of sedimentation controls). I also started talking to Peter Miles (from Revive our Gulf) last year and would like to start some discussions with iwi so we could potentially be the next project area for Revive our Gulf to lay mussel beds to help restore the mauri of our marine reserve. Lastly, I will lobby the Governing Body to ensure they are sending strong messages to Ministers on the importance of passing the revised RMA so the higher fines for sediment discharges (via an infringement regime under the Act) can be passed and in place as one simple measure to support higher compliance of sediment controls.</p>
<p>John Davies</p>	<p>I accept the generally accepted sentiment and evidence of sedimentation in the waters of the Long Bay Okura Marine Reserve. Mitigation depends on scientific recommendations combined most importantly with genuine community participation in reaching conclusions. My campaign emphasises the need for Council to focus on its legal obligations. The Akl Council legislation provides that it is a Regional Council. Under law a regional council is primarily concerned with environmental resource management, flood control, air and water quality, pest control, and, in specific cases, public transport, regional parks and bulk water supply. So with that understanding I will seek Council urgency for dealing with the science around the issues in the Park. Funding must be found to do the basic legal obligations of Council and if this means undoing shorter or longer term council plans, that's what must be pursued. My action to mitigate sediment into the marine reserve is therefore related to ensuring there is acceptance around the science of the situation, the science of what can be done to mitigate the problem and then identify what will not be done to ensure this is done.</p>
<p>Paul Magill</p>	<p>Rigorous control of new and existing developments that could cause sediment discharge so that it doesn't happen in the first place, not trying to fix it after the event.</p>
<p>Wayne Walker</p>	<p>The use of quantity-based sediment controls and the far more effective monitoring and management of silt, specifically around the marine reserve at discharge points and around developments. With the commencement of major earth moving works associated with Penlink imminent, that sort of regime is more important than ever.</p>
<p>Steve Piner</p>	<p>Council already have controls in place, these need to be enforced and strengthened.</p>
<p>Toby Malcolm</p>	<p>Auckland Council ought to make the effort to engage with, and listen to, the community on issues such as threats to the Long Bay Okura Marine Reserve ecosystem (including sedimentation, but also more broadly from other human impacts). This engagement will be my mission if elected, since the involvement of the community in finding and implementing solutions will benefit the desired outcome in the long term. I will be holding scheduled local drop-in sessions to this end, as well as keeping open lines of communication with community groups such as the LBOGPS. Mitigating sediment discharge into the marine reserve will involve hearing solutions from many stakeholders in the community (e.g. the LBOGPS, construction companies and workers, residents, Department of Conservation, recreational boat users, council staff) and implementing those solutions with buy-in from all stakeholders. Case in point, I have enjoyed walking around East Coast Bays recently to deliver my campaign flyers to letterboxes. On more than one occasion, I have come across construction sites which have seemingly ineffective sediment runoff protections around stormwater drains (see the attached photo as one example). While I have my own personal thoughts on possible solutions to this (e.g. improved monitoring and enforcement, educational sessions for stakeholders), I feel the solutions are already there to be heard from you and others in our community. Looking at the issue more broadly, Kulins, S. (2021) describes the ecological benefits of the marine reserve and references studies showing the impact of sedimentation on marine ecosystems. If sedimentation events like the one in 2017 in Weiti (as described on the LBOGPS website) are to be avoided, council should be listening to the community and stakeholders. This will be my commitment to you if elected. Reference: Kulins, S. (2021). Investigating the ecological effects of Long Bay-Okura Marine Reserve. (Master's thesis, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand). Retrieved from https://hdl.handle.net/2292/58820</p>