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Letters

Ugly sight

Located on the western side of Onepoto Domain, the lake was created in the 30,000-year-old volcano in 2012 by Auckland Council's parks department.

The lake, depending on rainfall, is approximately 30 metres from "Drainhole Bend" and almost directly opposite "Disaster Point", an area formerly pristine but now an unusable piece of vacant land caused by council's inadequate drainage.

No attempt has been made to mitigate the ugly sight by planting suitable vegetation.

The above achievements were a direct result of parks' central planning department's lack of local knowledge when constructing the concrete cycleway.

Inspection by council's parks department of the Onepoto Management Plan 1991 would have warned them of the "hydrology" problems in this area of the volcano. Discussions with local residents would also have led to a better result and could have avoided the creation of "Lake Cockup" and "Disaster Point".

Perhaps, in future, Kaipatiki Local Board will instruct council to directly consult knowledgeable local residents.

**Kexin Fox
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Subject: Letter - NST - Onepoto
Date: Today 18:26:32
From: Allen Reynolds <aln-rey@clear.net.nz>
To: Richard Plinston <riplin@azonic.co.nz>

hello Richard - long time!...

heads up on a letter-to-editor in tonights North Shore Times

Kevin Fox starts with an error - lake 'on th western side...' and then proceeds on an anti-council rant... not sure what he's saying

is there/was there a 'lake' on the west side of th crater? or is he just lost... or have I missed earlier articles...

Allen



"Western Lake". "Drainhole Bend" is 30m further on.

Subject: Re: Letter - NST - Onepoto
Date: Today 18:49:54
From: Richard Plinston <riplin@Azonic.co.nz>
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To: Allen Reynolds <aln-rey@clear.net.nz>

When Carol and I last went to a Kaipatiki Board meeting to support the Onepoto Resident's Association presentation and petition the ORA made it quite clear that they had nothing to do with Kevin Fox or any of his many complaints or actions.

The letter is a follow on from an earlier one that criticised the council for laying down the recent cycle paths without catering for drainage under them. The results is that the paths, which are higher than the surrounding ground, trap water whenever it rains and create a mud lake over at the western side of the domain.

It is probably a fair complaint, but made incomprehensible by his ranting style.

Kevin Fox is the guy who made numerous complaints about danger from foam plastic gliders being flown at the the park and caused the 'No Flying' signs to be put up. (Granted the 8foot wingspan Mustang would have been a danger if they had ever got it to fly).