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## **Rubbish collection services: You decide!**

Dear Neighbour / apartment owner,

in June 2010, we, the Owners Committee for your property at 9 Sarawia St., Newmarket, decided to replace the then Auckland City Council Rubbish and Recycling collection with a private company, *Rubbish Direct*. At that time, our decision did cost you nothing. While Body Corporate Administration (BCA) collected \$180.00 in increased yearly levies per apartment from you to pay Rubbish Direct, Auckland City Council refunded those \$180.00 back to you as a rates rebate for not using their rubbish/recycling collection.

Since 1. July 2012, as part of the Super-City restructuring, Auckland Council no longer refunds you for using an alternative rubbish service. As a result, we all are currently paying twice for our rubbish, once to Rubbish Direct and once to Auckland Council. The majority of Owners Committee members are still in favour of continuing the contract with Rubbish Direct, which has more frequent collections (3x/week). I think, the weekly Auckland Council rubbish/recycling collection is good enough and spending \$180.00 extra per apartment per year is an unnecessary waste of money.

If we don't terminate our contract with Rubbish Direct this June, it will automatically extend for another 3 years and we will have to pay them a total of \$35,100.00 until June 2016. I'm writing to you, because good financial management of our shared property is important to me and if you have an opinion on this matter, the Owners Committee is obliged to listen to you. Please return the included ballot form to me by 7th June. I will collect the responses and present them to the Owners Committee in time before the Rubbish Direct contract is automatically extended. In the end, it is your money and your democratic right to decide.

With kind regards,  
Christoph Paszyna  
Owners Committee Member,  
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Please return to:

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Please choose your preference and return this ballot form by **7th June**:

☐ I would like **Rubbish Direct** to continue collecting our rubbish / recycling over the next 3 years at a total cost of **\$35,100.00** for our crosslease.

☐ I would like **Auckland Council** to collect our rubbish / recycling at **no cost** for our crosslease.

**Your Name:**

**Apartment or Unit number** (if you own more than one apartment, please list all. Each apartment has one vote):

**Date:**

**Signature:**

(If you live in our building, save yourself the postage and just drop this in my letterbox. You can also send in your reply via e-mail to christoph@belvue.org.nz, but please include your full name and apartment/unit number(s) with your choice.)