



LOCAL BOARD FEEDBACK

E mahi ana mātou i te mahi mō Tāmaki Makaurau

Draft plan change to add trees and groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in Part and to the Notable Trees overlay

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Albert-Eden Local Board

Resolution number [AE/2025/41](#)

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson M Watson, seconded by Member J Fowler:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- a) note the significant number of trees and groups of trees being proposed by the public for adding to Schedule 10 of the Auckland Unitary Plan.
- b) support the draft plan change to include all the trees proposed by the public.
- c) request the proposal to add one rimu tree in Oakley Avenue Waterview is amended to assess three rimu trees and one Pohutukawa tree.
- d) advise the Policy and Planning Committee of the local board's strong support for more trees, urban ngahere, biodiversity, canopy cover and tree protection through the Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2023, Albert-Eden Urban Ngahere (Forest) Action Plan 2020 and Albert-Eden Climate Action Plan 2022.
- e) request speaking rights at Policy and Planning Committee when this item is considered for notification.
- f) advise that the local board will provide further comment after public submissions close of the draft plan change.

CARRIED

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

Resolution number [DT/2025/35](#)

MOVED by Member M Powell, seconded by Member P Allen:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) whiwhi / receive the tabled additional information of the proposed trees to be added AUP schedule 10.
- b) tuhi tīpoka / notes that the Devonport - Takapuna Local Board has not been provided the specific locations and assessment details of the proposed trees.
- c) tautoko / supports the notification to seek public consultation on the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.
- d) tono / requests that direct feedback is sought from property owners who may have the proposed trees on their private property or adjacent to it.

CARRIED

Franklin Local Board

Resolution number [FR/2025/38](#)

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson A Cole, seconded by Member M Bell JP:

That the Franklin Local Board:

- a) tuku / provide local board views on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps as follows;
 - i) support protection of notable trees given the important role trees play in climate change mitigation, culture and heritage
 - ii) tuhi a / note that the board is disappointed that it was not engaged in the process to represent local views in the process of identifying notable trees as the board feels this may have informed a more comprehensive plan change proposal. The board continues to be frustrated by the lack of recognition of the role of local boards as leaders of place-making in the context of Auckland's shared governance model
 - iii) tono / request that the following trees also be considered for inclusion in the proposal, noting that this is not an exhaustive list and that there are likely many more that the community could identify if provided the opportunity;
 - Waiau Pa Recreation Reserve, the 4 trees at the entrance.

CARRIED

Henderson-Massey Local Board

Resolution number [HM/2025/27](#)

MOVED by Member I Papau, seconded by Member P Chan:

That the Henderson-Massey Local Board:

- a) tautoko / support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.

CARRIED

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

Resolution number [HB/2025/27](#)

MOVED by Chairperson A Poppelbaum, seconded by Member G Walden:

That the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board:

- a) **tuku** / provide the following local board views on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Auckland Unitary Plan Schedule of Notable Trees (Schedule 10), and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the Auckland Unitary Plan maps:
 - i) note the draft plan change and the locations of eleven trees in the local board area that are proposed to be added to Schedule 10 of the Auckland Unitary Plan and the Notable Trees overlay
 - ii) support this draft plan change to be notified for public submissions
 - iii) request that targeted engagement take place to ensure property owners and neighbouring properties are aware of the submission period
 - iv) reserve the right to provide feedback when the public submission process is complete.

CARRIED

Howick Local Board

Resolution number [HW/2025/34](#)

MOVED by Chairperson D Light, seconded by Member J Spiller:

That the Howick Local Board:

- a) tuku / provide the following local board views on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps. The Board:
 - i) tuhi tīpoka / note the Howick Urban Ngahere Action Plan 2021 which includes a goal of increasing tree canopy cover within the local board area boundaries by 3 per cent by 2030 with a longer-term goal of 30 per cent coverage by 2050.
 - ii) tautoko / support the proposal to increase the number of trees protected across the city.
 - iii) tautoko / support the proposal to add a further 15 additional trees and groups within the Howick Local Board area, subject to the appropriate public consultation process required by a unitary plan change.
 - iv) tuhi tīpoka / note that this plan change is intended to incorporate all the nominations received in the past 10-12 years and encourage Auckland Council to take appropriate actions to speed up the process for adding trees to the protection schedule.
 - v) tuhi tīpoka / note that since the removal of the tree protections in 2013, there is widespread confusion in the public about what protections exist and encourage Auckland Council to use this opportunity to educate and inform the public.

CARRIED

Kaipātiki Local Board

Resolution number [KT/2025/316](#)

MOVED by Chairperson J Gillon, seconded by Member E Hannam:

That the Kaipātiki Local Board:

- a) ohia / endorse draft plan change.
- b) tono / request more regular plan changes to ensure that more notable trees and groups of trees are incorporated into the Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in Part as soon as possible.

CARRIED

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

Resolution number [MO/2025/31](#)

MOVED by Chairperson N Bakulich, seconded by Member C O'Brien:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

- a) tuku / provide the following feedback on the draft plan change to add trees and groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan's Notable Trees Overlay:
 - i) the local board urge the council committee to engage with the community to ensure residents, Mana whenua and stakeholders feedback is captured to assist in informing the local board's final feedback to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.
 - ii) the board supports the intent of the draft plan change to protect trees and groups of trees by adding them to Schedule 10 of the Auckland Unitary Plan and the Notable Trees Overlay.
 - iii) the board notes that 11 properties in Māngere-Ōtāhuhu will be affected, specifically in Favona (1), Māngere East (7), and Ōtāhuhu (3). The board seeks further clarification on the specific locations of these trees and their significance in terms of ecological, historical, or cultural value.
 - iv) the board acknowledges that these additions are based on public nominations and requests confirmation that mana whenua have been engaged in assessing the cultural significance of these trees.
 - v) the board supports the positive climate impacts of this plan change, recognising that tree protection contributes to carbon sequestration and urban cooling. However, the board requests further information on how these trees will be maintained and whether there are any risks of removal due to development pressures.
 - vi) the board request that the affected property owners are meaningfully consulted including Mana whenua, about the implications of their trees being added to Schedule 10.
 - vii) notes concerns regarding Kāinga Ora's approach to notable trees in their developments. While Kāinga Ora has stated that removed trees will be replaced on a 'like for like' basis, the board has observed that this has not been consistently carried out. The board emphasise the importance of ensuring that any tree removals are genuinely compensated with appropriate replacements to maintain the area's greenery and environmental benefits.

CARRIED

Manurewa Local Board

Resolution number [MR/2025/32](#)

MOVED by Chairperson M Winiata, seconded by Deputy Chairperson G Murphy:

That the Manurewa Local Board:

- a) tuku / provide the following local board views on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.
 - i) tautoko / support policies that grow the urban ngahere across Tamaki Makaurau, particularly in areas of low canopy cover, such as Manurewa
 - ii) tautoko / support in principle the public notification of the trees and reserve the right to provide formal views once community feedback has been received
 - iii) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the importance of local knowledge in regional strategies and encourage staff to continue to engage with the local board on notable trees.

CARRIED

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

Resolution number [MT/2025/34](#)

MOVED by Member D Allan, seconded by Chairperson M Meredith:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) tautoko / support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.

CARRIED

Ōrākei Local Board

Resolution number [OR/2025/27](#)

MOVED by Member T Churton, seconded by Member M Voyce:

That the Ōrākei Local Board:

- a) note that as a best practice process for feedback, it is preferable for decision-makers to receive a list of which properties are affected before the plan change has been notified and the submissions period has closed, along with the following points:
 - i) this information must have been available to subject matter experts as the report also states: *‘Many of the trees and groups of trees are located on Council reserves and also on road reserves which are the domain of Auckland Transport’.*
 - ii) the supplementary information schedule provided recently gives generic street locations, not specific addresses.
- b) note that according to the report, Ōrākei currently has approximately 10% of the region’s proposed notifiable trees. The board reinforces supporting the plan change as it helps ensure the biodiversity and amenity values needing to be protected within Ōrākei suburbs in any way possible under plan zones, overlays and any other plan mechanisms.
- c) note that while this plan change is narrow in scope, the report notes the evaluation process for scheduling is a detailed exercise based on the criteria as set out in the Regional Policy Statement. Each tree, and group of trees, is evaluated against each criterion and provided with a score.
- d) highlight that the decision-making body should note the plan change reflects many years of nominations and, in endorsing the listed trees, recommend that the nomination and evaluation process be simplified to make it easier for the public and Council to implement scheduled trees into a plan.

CARRIED

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

Resolution number [OP/2025/35](#)

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) tautoko/ support proposed change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.
- b) tuhi ā-taipitopito/ note its earlier feedback (Resolution OP/2022/98 -ii) to support inclusion of notable trees in plan changes to accompany the Medium Density Residential Standards and National Policy Statement on Urban Development plan change.
- c) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that our board is one with the lowest urban ngahere in Auckland.

CARRIED

Papakura Local Board

Resolution number [PPK/2025/17](#)

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson J Robinson, seconded by Member A Webster:

That the Papakura Local Board:

- a) support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.

CARRIED

Puketāpapa Local Board

Resolution number [PKTPP/2025/32](#)

MOVED by Member J Turner, seconded by Chairperson E Kumar:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) whiwhi / receive the tabled additional information for Puketāpapa Local Board on proposed trees/groups to be added to the AUP schedule 10 via proposed plan change XX. Note the physical number of the street address has not been included.
- b) tautoko / support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.

CARRIED

Rodney Local Board

Resolution number [RD/2025/41](#)

MOVED by Member G Upson, seconded by Member M Dennis:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) support public notification on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the Auckland Unitary Plan maps.
- b) reserve the right to provide formal views at a future business meeting once the plan change submission period closes.
- c) note that the Rodney Local Board has not been provided the specific location of the trees.

CARRIED

Upper Harbour Local Board

Resolution number [UH/2025/27](#)

MOVED by Member K Parker, seconded by Member S Yang:

That the Upper Harbour Local Board:

- a) tuku / provide local board views on draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the Auckland Unitary Plan maps as follows:
 - i) support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps
 - ii) note the importance of the intention in paragraph 20 of notifying all owners and affected parties such that they have the opportunity to participate in the submission process
 - iii) note the Local Board do not know the exact details of the location of the trees in relation to this proposal
 - iv) request a process is put in place to make it easier to add trees and groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan Schedule of Notable Trees and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the Auckland Unitary Plan Maps, noting that these trees have been on the list of nominations held in councils database for 10 – 12 years.

CARRIED

Waitākere Ranges Local Board

Resolution number [WTK/2025/26](#)

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton:

That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:

- a) support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps being approved for consultation.

CARRIED

Waitematā Local Board

Resolution number [WTM/2025/37](#)

MOVED by Chairperson G Sage, seconded by Member A Bonham:

That the Waitematā Local Board:

- a) support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.
- b) propose investigation of inclusion of the group of plane trees in Francis Street, Grey Lynn, to any future plan change of adding trees to council schedule of notable trees.

CARRIED

Whau Local Board

Resolution number [WH/2025/32](#)

MOVED by Member C Farmer, seconded by Deputy Chairperson F Amosa:

That the Whau Local Board:

- a) tautoko / support the draft plan change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps for public notification.
- b) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the proposed inclusion of 15 trees in the Whau local board area; 14 in Avondale and one in Glen Eden; and congratulate members of the public who made the nominations.
- c) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note with concern that the addition of trees or groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan schedule appears to be a time-consuming process and would invite staff to continue to strive for quicker inclusion as the rapid expansion of Auckland housing development may pose a real threat to many significant yet publicly invisible trees.

CARRIED