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SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION FACILITIES PLAN

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

In 2015, the inaugural version of the Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan was developed. Key outcomes sought from the plan included:

- a. Assist in facility investment decision-making across Howick,
- b. Seek to improve sharing and utilisation of existing facilities, and where possible, reduce the number of buildings on parks.

In 2018, a supplementary report was completed to reflect new and updated projects and to explore school partnership opportunities.

After nine years, the Plan's refresh reflects the need to provide updated evidence-based direction that aligns with the growing and changing needs of the community and updated strategic direction. The refreshed Plan provides a comprehensive analysis of local sport and active recreation provision and identified needs to guide future facility investment and advocacy decisions.

1.2 PURPOSE OF THE PLAN

The purpose of the Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan is to provide direction for the Howick Local Board to assist with the prioritisation of future sport and recreation facility investment.

The plan will help guide investment to align with the priorities, as identified in the facilities plan, and assist in ensuring ad-hoc development is limited. It is designed to focus thinking at a network wide sport and recreation facilities level. The plan will also provide recommendations for new developments and redevelopments (capital improvements) to existing facilities, including ancillary facilities. Where possible, it will also provide indicative costs for the recommended improvements.

This document is not intended to be a funding plan for the Howick Local Board. The inclusion of projects within this Plan does not guarantee financial support from the Howick Local Board.

It should be noted that this plan does not replace the need for additional focused planning and analysis at a project level. Full feasibility and business case analysis will be required to test project viability. Inclusion in the Plan as a prioritised project does not indicate a project's feasibility/sustainability.

The plan focuses on sports and active recreation facilities, which are owned under a wide range of structures (including council-owned facilities, private facilities, club-owned facilities, and facilities owned by not-for-profit groups).

Scope: The refreshed plan contains a wider scope of sport and active recreation facilities detailed in the 2015 plan, particularly relating to more recreational and social activity (reflecting the changing nature of participation and engagement).

Out of scope: facilities used for performing arts (including dance) and 'passive' recreation (i.e. chess clubs, darts or drama groups).

WHY HAS THE PLAN BEEN DEVELOPED?

The plan reflects the need for a targeted and aligned approach to facility planning and investment. The outcomes sought from the plan include:

- Provide a consolidated inventory of sports and active recreation facilities.
- Provide an understanding of local facility needs and issues.
- Assess the potential impacts of demographic and infrastructure changes.
- Identify gaps in facility provision against current and future needs and identify facility projects and potential opportunities.
- Provide a framework for prioritising projects/potential opportunities for further analysis and assessment.
- Prioritise the list of projects/opportunities to provide clear direction to support advocacy, resource allocation and leasing decisions.
- Framework and structure developed as a tool for maintaining relevancy.

1.3 USING THIS PLAN

The plan should be seen as a living document and should be reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

Like all high-level plans, more detailed planning will be required for individual projects. The plan should not be seen as a replacement for detailed, focused research and analysis. The inclusion of projects in the plan should not be taken as an indication of feasibility. It is recommended that all projects go through a robust feasibility and business case process.

As sports codes undertake or update their existing national and regional sports facility plans it is envisaged this plan will require updating. However, given the plan is trying to examine issues based on available evidence at a network wide level, some specific code aspirations may not align.

Information and guidance from this plan will provide direction on:

- Future lease agreements.
- Potential partnership opportunities.
- Potential grant funding to support and advance planning and analysis of projects/opportunities.
- To inform resource allocation for future work programmes (such as CBA assessments, feasibility analysis, and planning).

1.4 METHODOLOGY

The information summarised in this plan was collected using a mix of web surveys, direct consultation, and secondary data review methodologies. This triangulated approach provided the best means to get the most comprehensive data coverage possible within the project's scope and budget – and builds on existing work already undertaken. Key work components undertaken include:

SECONDARY DATA RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS

Research and analysis included the following sources:

- Auckland Council asset information, lease information and funds granted,
- Field allocations, bookings, and development work programme,
- Precinct, parks and reserves master and concept plans,
- National and regional sport and recreation facility strategies/plans,
- Auckland Council and Howick Local Board strategic documents,
- Howick demographic analysis and projections,
- Transport and housing infrastructure analysis,
- Venues-for-hire booking data,
- Howick Local Board deputations,
- Sport NZ Insights Tool, Facilities Planning Tool and Secondary School Sport Census,
- 2015 Howick Sport & Recreation Facilities Plan and 2018 Update (SGL),
- Individual facility studies and reports (where accessible).

COMMUNITY CLUB/ORGANISATION ENGAGEMENT

Sport Auckland distributed an online survey to all identified clubs and groups domiciled in the Howick Local Board. In total, 27 survey responses were received, these data were supplemented by phone calls, meetings, and insights from key stakeholders.

SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT

Five secondary schools updated their 2017 facility inventory and insights survey data undertaken by Auckland Council, Ministry of Education, Active and Sport New Zealand.

MEETINGS, SITE VISITS AND OBSERVATIONS

A series of meetings and/or site visits were held with various Council departments, Sport Auckland, Active, facility operators and regional sports organisations.

1.5 LIMITATIONS

The plan is based on available data and information at the time of production. Given the reliance on inventory lists, secondary data, and primary data from third parties, some data omissions or errors likely exist. Furthermore, the circumstances and information relating to existing and new/emerging projects may have evolved since the consultation and analysis phases were undertaken. Despite these potential limitations, the plan represents the most comprehensive local facility data source currently available.

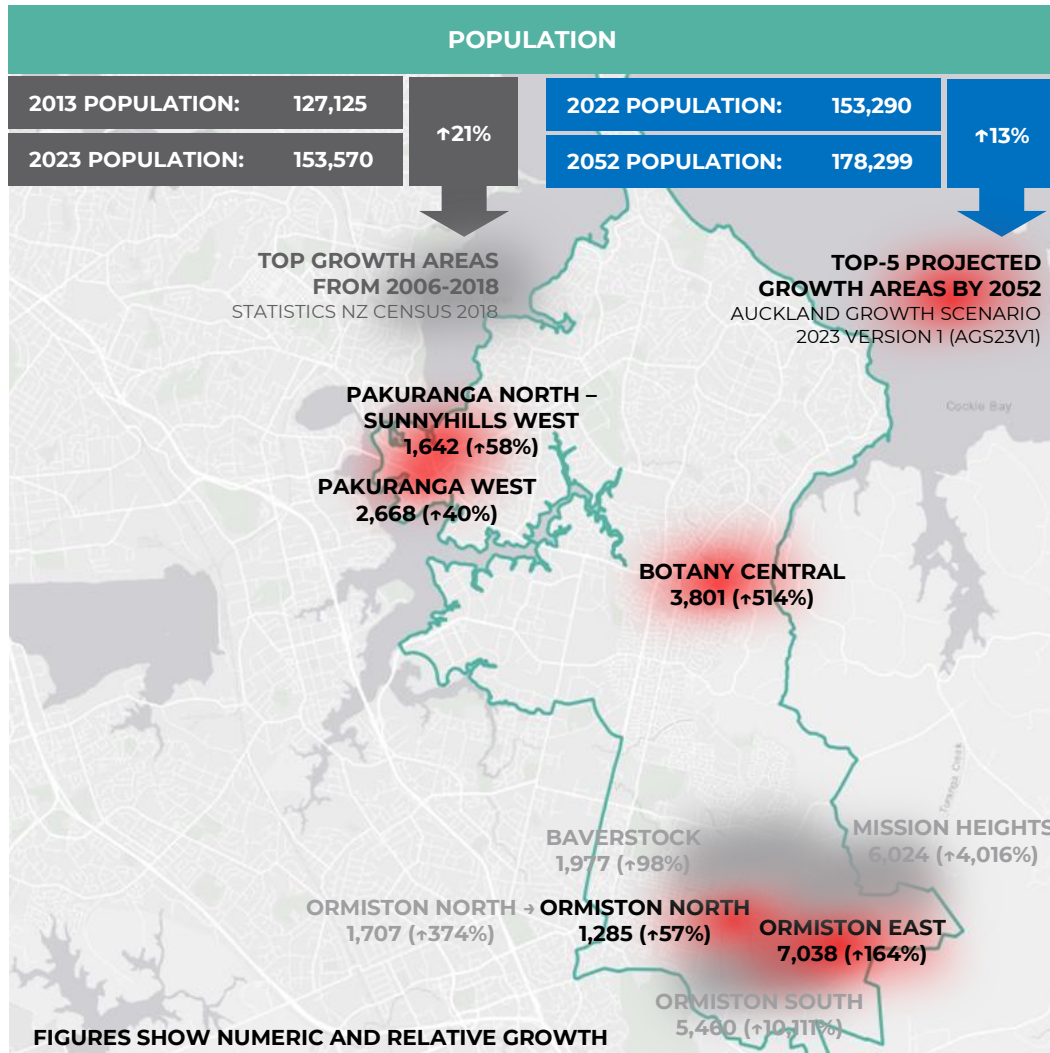
1.6 KEY TERMINOLOGY

From the Auckland Sport and Recreation Strategic Action Plan (as available):

- **Active recreation** is physical activity done for lifestyle, wellbeing, health and/or enjoyment. This may include playing in a playground, walking, going for a run, dancing, kicking a ball around in the park or playing a sport. It may be participated in either individually, with a group, or as a team.
- **Sport** is physical activity, that is competitive, organised, involves the observation of rules, and may be participated in either individually or as a team.
- **Passive recreation** is done for lifestyle, wellbeing, health and/or enjoyment purposes, but is not physically active e.g., chess, arts, and crafts.



SUMMARY OF DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES



Overall, Howick Local Board is forecast to have moderate growth compared to Auckland overall, and at a lower rate of growth experienced between 2013-18. Most growth is expected to occur in similar areas to where it has been past – specifically to the south of the Local Board area around Flat Bush. Other noted growth areas identified are around Pakuranga and Botany Central – aided by changes to the transport infrastructure (see Section 3.0).

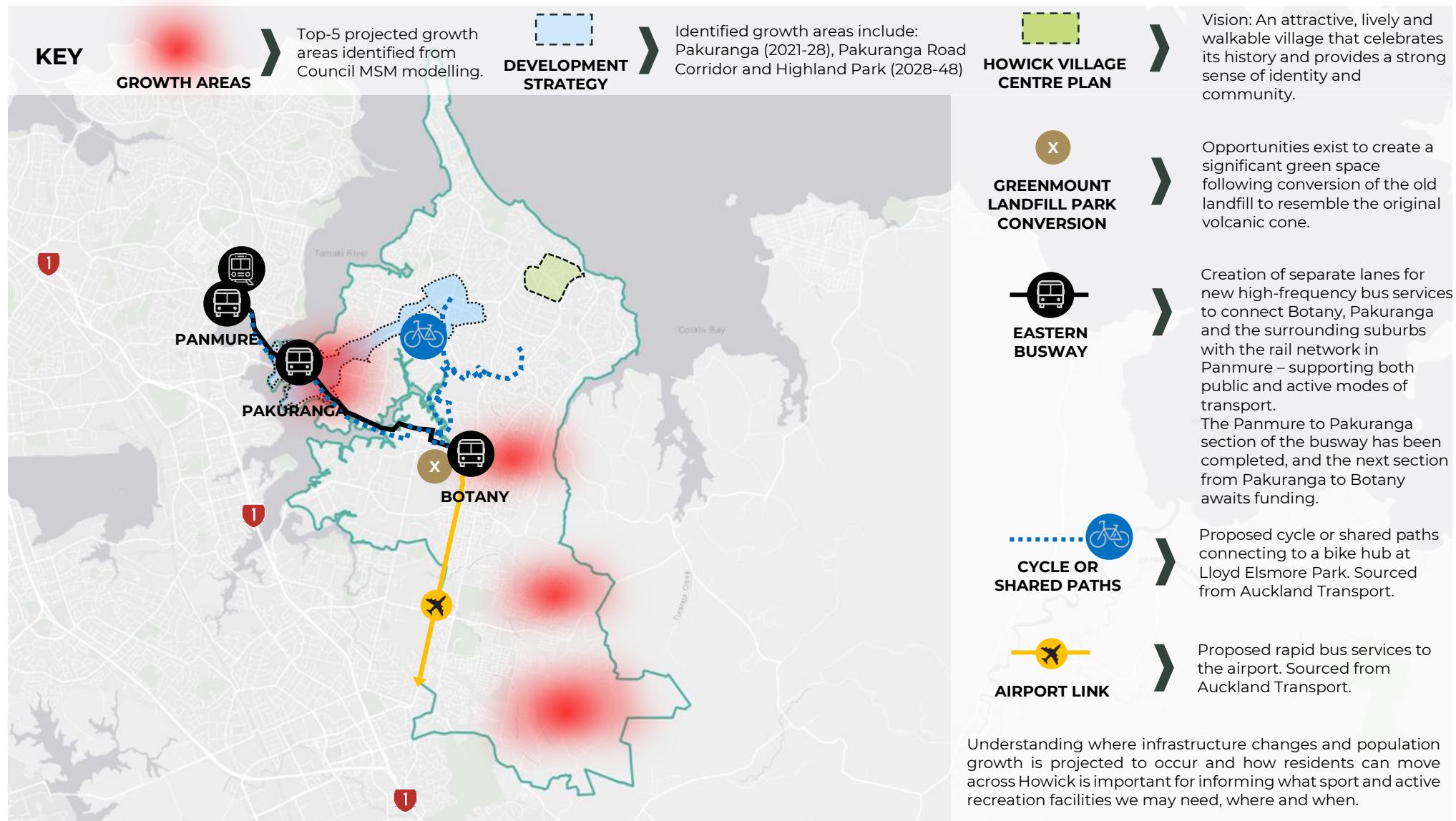
The Howick Local Board is forecast to age with significant change in the number and proportion of 65+ age residents. While the area is also expected to become more diverse with more residents identifying as Asian (currently there is a relatively even distribution of European and Asian residents) and higher proportions of Māori and Pacific residents. The change in resident profile suggest future facility provision will need to be flexible and adapt to reflect changing community needs and preferences.

There is relatively low deprivation across the Local Board, with pockets of higher deprivation evident around Pakuranga and Highland Park. Prudent consideration needs to be given to accessible facilities to encourage participation where cost may be a barrier.

3.0

SUMMARY OF INFRASTRUCTURE CHANGES





FIGURE 3.1 – INFRASTRUCTURE CHANGES (PROPOSED AND CONFIRMED) THAT MAY IMPACT SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION PROVISION ACROSS HOWICK



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SUMMARY OF STRATEGIC CONTEXT

TABLE 4.1 – STRATEGIC AND SECTOR CONTEXT THAT INFORM THE HOWICK SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION FACILITIES PLAN

HOWICK LOCAL BOARD	<p>Ta mahere ā rohe o Howick 2023</p> <h3>Howick Local Board Plan</h3> <p>Specific objectives and initiatives that relate to this plan include:</p> <p>Our People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Empower community groups and organisations to co-deliver projects with Auckland Council and take actions to protect and maintain community assets. <p>Our Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the Tūpuna Maunga Authority to protect and enhance Ōhauirangi / Pigeon Mountain. 	<p>Our Community</p> <p>Cited challenges include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting buildings in established areas while also supporting growth areas. Working with clubs to address capacity concerns and to support resilience and capability by encouraging sharing and better utilisation of existing facilities. Balancing budget constraints with asset portfolio needs. Provide facilities and activities across our parks network to suit diverse demographics and abilities 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to support a multi-club and code facility at Lloyd Elsmore. Improve sharing and utilisation of existing facilities and resources, and/or new developments. <p>Our Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement projects from the Howick Walking and Cycling Network Plan that increase connectivity to schools, places of sport and recreation, Eastern Busway, Half Moon Bay Ferry, and Highbrook
AUCKLAND COUNCIL	<p>Increasing Aucklanders' Participation in Sport</p> <p>Investment Plan 2019 – 2039</p>  <p>Developed to provide a structured approach to deliver better outcomes. Participation target areas include</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Enabling participation of low-participant communities; Increasing participation in emerging sports; Sustaining or increasing high-participation sports. <p>Primary focus on core infrastructure (playing facilities and lighting) and ancillaries (toilets, changing rooms...). Less focus placed on clubrooms and admin facilities.</p>	<p>Facility Partnerships Policy</p>  <p><i>Te Kaupapa Here Tuhononga Wahi Urunga</i></p> <p>The policy outlines the Council's approach to facility partnerships by providing shared understanding, strategic decision-making, and sustainability of facility partnerships. The four investment principles which drive the priorities and criteria for decision-making:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest strategically, based on outcomes. Invest to help achieve equity for all Aucklanders. Invest widely, to deliver maximum value. Invest for sustainability. 	<p>Community Facilities Network Plan</p>  <p>The Plan provides a roadmap for how Auckland Council will invest in community facilities over the next 20-years. The revised 2022 action plan identifies the following for Howick (and as relevant to this Plan):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pools / Leisure – Investigation options for future provision of pools and leisure space in Flat Bush. Currently on hold until budget confirmed in the LTP. Noting the community centre and library at Flat Bush are prioritised by the Local Board. Undertake a regional review of Auckland's aquatic network.



10-year strategic direction with a vision for “Aucklanders: more active, more often”. Key priority areas relevant to this Plan are:

- **Fit-for-Purpose Network of Facilities** – at the regional, sub-regional and local levels for informal recreation and sport.
- **Facility Partnerships** – facilitate partnerships to make the most of local facilities and resources.
- Continue to support collaborative partnerships to provide sustainable delivery of recreation and sport facilities.



The plan outlines the priorities across community-led sport and recreation facility projects. The criteria used to establish the priorities are set out under four identified ‘impact’ areas:

- **People** – what is the impact on people by developing the facility?
- **Network**– what is the impact on the network by developing the facility?
- **Strategic** – How does the facility align to strategic outcomes?
- **Do-ability** – How achievable is the project?



Sport New Zealand's ‘Every Body Active’ Strategic direction has three key long-term outcomes:

1. Frequency – increased frequency, time and type of participation in physical activity and sport.
2. Experience – enhanced experience of participants, supports, volunteers and workforces.
3. Increased variety of culturally distinct pathways for tangata whenua and all New Zealanders.

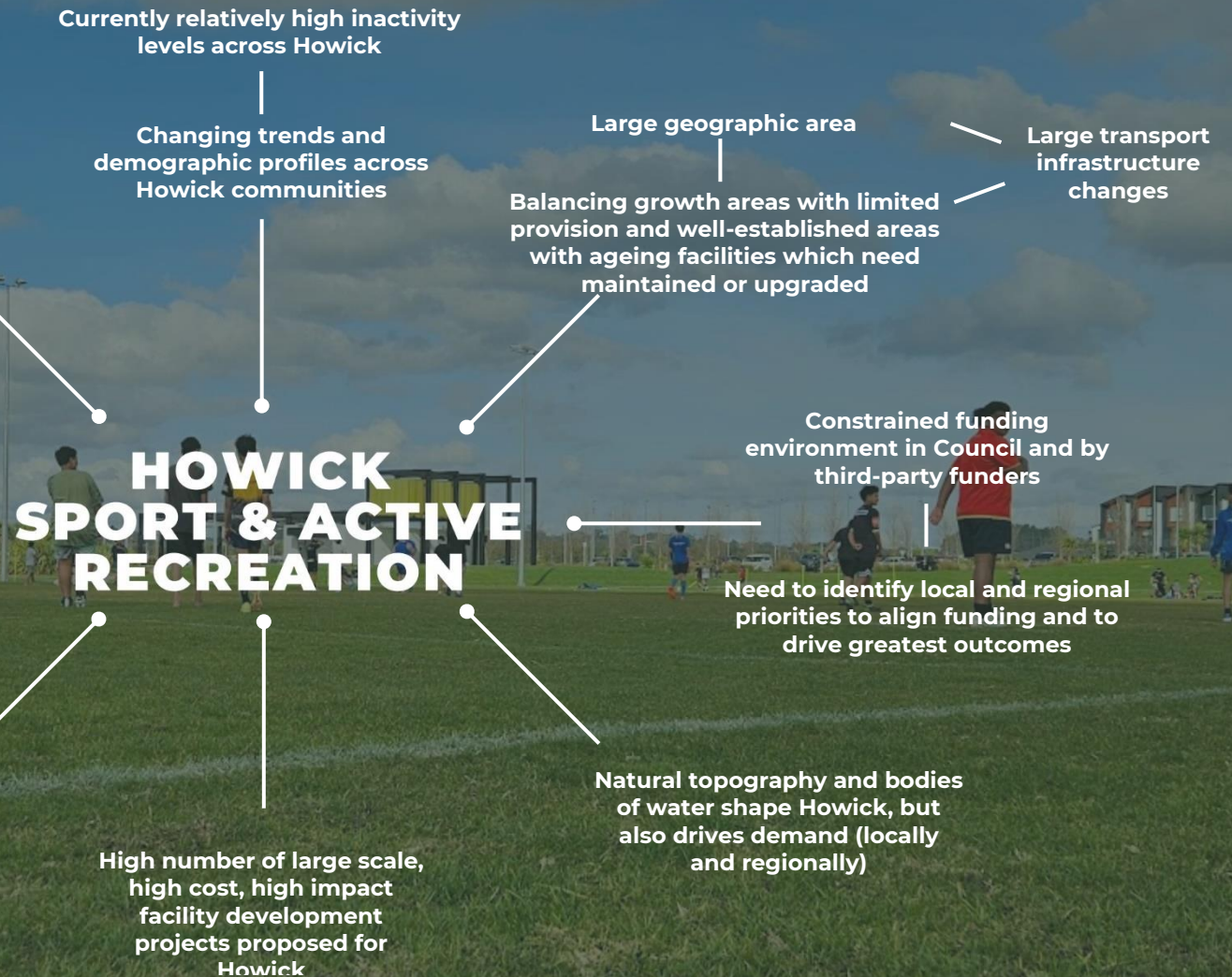
Strategic focus areas of:

1. Maintaining physical activity levels of tamariki.
2. Reducing the decline in physical activity levels for rangatahi.
3. Improving equity for tamariki and rangatahi who are less active.

Key focus areas include maintainng and growing physical activity levels of tamariki and rangatahi, while providing more opportunities and better experiences to groups missing out or doing less i.e. disabled people, women and girls and Māori. To do this requires suitable access (geographic and cost) to functional facilities to provide quality experiences (attract and retain).



5.0 SCENE SETTING





Insights Tool

The following findings relate to expected activity behaviours (interests and preferences) in the Howick Local Board:

Overall Local Population

- Inactivity accounts for 29% of residents (notably higher than the national rate of 23%). Inactivity was most evident in the southern areas of the Local Board. Most inactivity was attributed to residents with young families (44%) and older adults (34%).



Walking (43% of residents)
Jogging/Running (27%)
Individual Workouts (22%)

HIGHER THAN NATIONAL TRENDS

The only activities above the national average include running/jogging, individual workouts (using equipment), dance and badminton.

Primary Age



- Running/jogging is the highest expected activity undertaken by primary age residents (53%)
- Notably lower expected participation across most activity types except for walking and cross-country.
- Large negative variance to national rates for general play, playground use and swimming.

Secondary Age



- Notably higher expected participation rates (compared to national insights) for touch, dance, volleyball and rugby league.
- Lower expected participation rates for football, swimming and tramping.

Young Adult



- Higher expected involvement in playing games and performing dance.
- All other activities remain on par with national comparisons.

Older Adult



- Generally lower or on par expected rates of participation across all activities.
- Notably lower levels of expected gardening and walking activity.
- High inactivity level.



Using Secondary School Census data for the schools specifically located in Howick, the following trends have been identified:

- Overall, sports participation has increased across the Howick Local Board over the last 9-years (21%) and at similar levels before COVID-19 years.
- Football and netball have the highest number of participants (with 25% and 19% growth, respectively, over the last two years).
- Volleyball has experienced 53% growth since 2021. It has surpassed both basketball and rugby to attract the third-highest number of participants.
- Other sports with high proportionate growth (but with lower numbers) were tennis (98%), rowing (53%) and rugby sevens (85%).
- 43% of participants were girls and 57% were boys.
- Participation as a proportion of the school rolls has remained relatively stable over the last 4-years (41-43%) but lower compared to 2013-17 (47-49%).

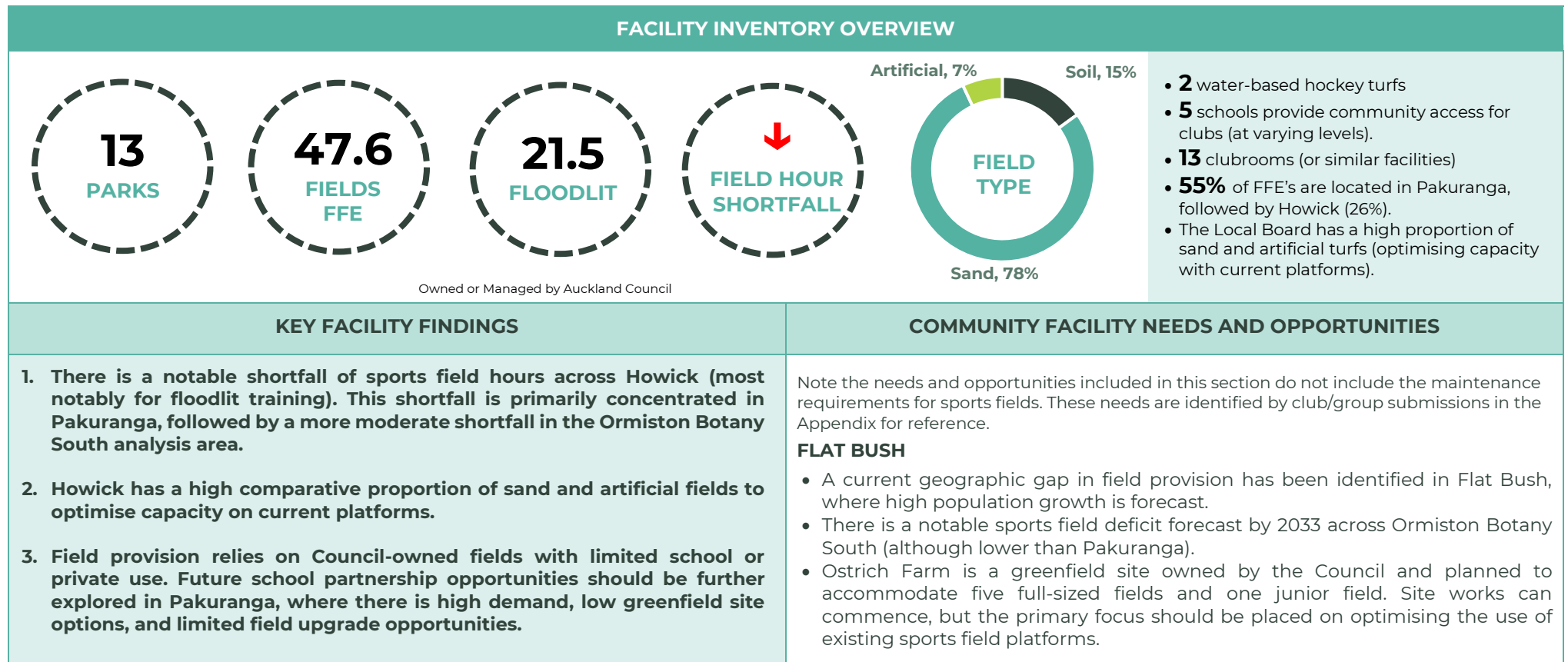


6.0 WHAT WE HAVE & WHAT WE NEED

This section provides a summary overview of Howick's sports and active recreation facilities and key facility findings and needs. More detailed information, maps and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the Appendix, with specific document links provided in each section.

6.1 SPORTS FIELD FACILITIES (INCL. HOCKEY)

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).



4. Maintaining agreed service levels and considered field use management is critical for optimising what we have while exploring possible upgrades or access to other fields.

5. Lloyd Elsmore is the preeminent sports park in Howick, accounting for 30% of Council-owned and managed sports fields across the Local Board. It is allocated to five sports field-based codes (with other users more casually), including the Auckland Regional Hockey Centre.

6. Flat Bush has a current geographic gap in sports field provision and lacks some support infrastructure to facilitate activity.

LLOYD ELSMORE PARK

Athletics

- The club has cited a need for a full facility response to meet their needs, including synthetic track renewal, covered viewing areas, an indoor training facility, and the relocation or repurposing of the clubroom building (adjacent to the playing fields).
- Renewing the track is critical due to its criticality in the athletics facility network.

Baseball

- Development needs have been cited by the club, including drainage upgrades and lighting installation. The short-term priorities identified in the Diamond Sports Regional Facilities Plan include upgrading the senior diamond to turf and installing a covered batting/pitching cage.

Hockey – Auckland Regional Centre

- Turf renewal (#2) – The current turf is 13 years old (typical lifecycle of around 10 years) and needs renewing to retain its current high use.
- Floodlights need upgrading due to rust degradation incurred through incorrect installation.
- Pavilion grandstand strengthening is required.

- Barry Curtis Park – users have cited limited support infrastructure, including no cricket nets, community facility or shelter. Proposals to address some of these infrastructure challenges include potential collocation with the Flat Bush Aquatic and Leisure Centre and the Marist Eastern Junior Rugby Club to develop a Community Hub Facility.

MEADOWLAND PARK

- Meadowland Park is a subregional diamond sport site. Facility development recommendations include upgrading skin diamonds 1 and 2 and upgrading diamond 3 to turf for dual use. A batting/ pitching cage is also identified.

TI RAKAU PARK

- Changing room upgrades—the changing rooms are in poor condition and configuration for female rugby league use. The women’s game has grown significantly, with 115 club players (29% of all club members).
- The club and Auckland Rugby League have cited the need for floodlight upgrades (lux and coverage) for training and to meet game demand across weekdays.
- Upgrades to the Pakuranga Rugby League clubrooms: kitchen, toilets, and changing room (which are in poor condition and not conducive to effective service delivery).

FIELD RENEWALS


- Several key sites are scheduled for field renewals in the next 2-3 years. These include William Green, Lloyd Elsmore Park, Elm Park, Riverhills Park, Barry Curtis Park, and Ti Rakau Park. These sites are critical in the network and have a high level of use. They need to be optimised for delivering quality community outcomes.
- Greenmount Park fields are sand-based but have no floodlights, which does not optimise the investment in the surface as weekday training hours are limited (the greatest sports field demand is for floodlit hours).
- Various other sand-based fields without lights are identified across Howick. Where possible, future floodlit provision should be explored to reduce the deficit in floodlit fields hours (noting there are limited land parcels in the concentrated areas of Pakuranga and Howick – highest levels of deficit).

FOOTBALL NEEDS AND FUTURE DIRECTION

- The action plan of the Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan should be updated (where required) to reflect insights, priorities and recommendations outlined in the Northern Region Football Facilities Plan (currently under development).

6.2 INDOOR COURT FACILITIES

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW	
 <p>The infographic consists of three dashed circles. The first circle contains the number '4' and the text 'INDOOR COURTS'. The second circle contains the number '38' and the text 'BADMINTON COURTS'. The third circle contains the number '19' and the text 'SCHOOL COURTS'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Across all sites, there is 32.5 full-size equivalent indoor courts. • 2 indoor court are located in public leisure centres: Howick and Pakuranga. • 2 indoor courts at a private multi-sport facility. • 38 badminton courts, equating to 9.5 full-size equivalent courts. • 19 indoor courts based in schools.
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS	COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is a well-established shortfall of indoor courts across Auckland. 2. Applying the National Indoor Recreation and Sport Facilities Strategy benchmarks for supply and demand, Howick Local Board has an undersupply of indoor courts of 2.15 full-time equivalent courts. 3. The National Strategy outlines a range of solutions, starting with increasing access to school facilities, incorporating multi-use in single-code sites, covering an outdoor court, converting existing suitable buildings and developing new courts. 4. There is established community access to most school-based indoor courts in Howick, and this needs to be maintained or expanded where possible. There are some courts which may be able to accommodate increased community use. 5. Both public indoor courts are housed in ageing buildings. Recent investment has secured the short-term future. Further work(s) is required to secure the long-term provision of both facilities. Both Howick and Pakuranga Leisure Centres appear well-used. 	<p>SCHOOL COURTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retaining and where possible expanding the use of school courts is critical to helping to address the shortfall of indoor courts in Howick and across Auckland. <p>PAKURANGA RUGBY / LLOYD ELSMORE PARK COURT DEVELOPMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pakuranga Rugby is proposing an expansion of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Badminton Facility to include two full-sized basketball/netball courts and an additional five badminton courts. An accommodation facility and fitness centre will also be included. The project is in the design and consent stage, and the indicative cost is \$9.8 million. • Auckland Council's investment fund has allocated \$2.4 million for construction. <p>FLAT BUSH AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Facilities Network Plan includes an action for Flat Bush Aquatic and Leisure Centre, but this is currently on hold awaiting funding. <p>HOWICK LEISURE CENTRE AND PAKURANGA LEISURE CENTRE</p> <p>Both are ageing facilities that will need investment in the future to secure the current provision of indoor courts. Further investigation may be required to determine the most economical long-term option to secure and potentially expand indoor court provision.</p> <p>PICKLEBALL</p> <p>Scheduled use across Howick is placed on Sunday afternoons and evenings, with numerous clubs and facilities keen to facilitate future use to accommodate large, cited growth in the sport.</p>

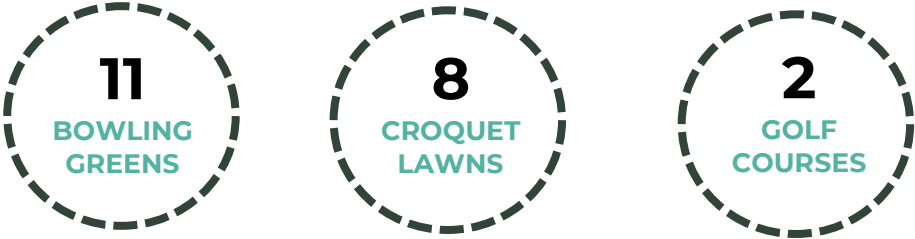
6.3 OUTDOOR/COVERED COURTS

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW			
<div> <div>46 TENNIS COURTS</div> <div>24 NETBALL COURTS</div> <div>11 BASKETBALL SITES</div> <div>2 VOLLEYBALL COURTS</div> </div>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 of the 46 tennis courts are based at club sites. • 22 of the 24 netball courts are based at the netball centre. • 2 full-size basketball courts; 6 basketball half-courts; 3 hoops only • 2 volleyball courts at Llyod Elsmore Park (sand-based) • Large number of covered and outdoor courts at schools – only 4 with noted community use. 			
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS		COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is an extremely high proportion of single-marked code specific courts across the Howick Local Board – limiting multi-use and asset optimisation. 2. All clubs and ground leased courts are located in the northern half of the Local Board boundary. 3. Overall, there appears to be sufficient capacity across the network of outdoor courts. Poor court quality and the need for pending or overdue renewals are cited as the greatest need. 4. Covered court opportunities should be explored to help alleviate capacity constraints experienced with indoor court provision and to enhance the participant experience. This approach seeks to optimise existing assets and use available capacity. 5. While there is limited use of school courts for formalised activity, access to schools for casual/social use remains critical for general play and physical activity. This is becoming more constrained as more schools lock their gates outside of school hours to prevent vandalism. 6. Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre plays a critical role in the Auckland netball facility network, servicing the Local Board area, and beyond. 		<p>PUBLIC COURTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the current use of existing basketball courts to ensure suitable location and function (i.e. hoop only, half or full court). • Assess whether community demand exists in the southern and far northern areas of the local Board for outdoor volleyball courts (should consider destination sites and not necessarily localised sites). <p>TENNIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pakuranga Tennis Club - relocation of 6 courts from Pigeon Mountain to Lloyd Elsmore Park as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub project (including shared clubrooms). • Howick Tennis Club – replace floodlights, fence and upgrade building interior. • Koru Tennis Club - resurface astro-turf, review drainage and fencing, and develop two new courts with court canopy. • Bucklands Beach Tennis Club – resurfacing 3 courts and clubroom upgrades. • Explore opportunities to develop or integrate pickleball and/or padel across the network (there is currently a padel court at Riverside Sports in Point England, outside of the Local Board area). <p>NETBALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are current quality and safety issues, with eight courts nearing unplayable condition and a further six courts needing surface renewal in the near future. • Need for covered courts to improve the player experience, particularly juniors. • Currently completing a feasibility study to confirm the appropriate response to court issues, court improvements and covered courts. 	


6.4 BOWLING GREENS, CROQUET & GOLF

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW		
 <p>11 BOWLING GREENS</p> <p>8 CROQUET LAWNS</p> <p>2 GOLF COURSES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 bowling greens across 3 bowls sites (all located on Council land). • 2 croquet clubs (both located on Council land). • 2 18-hole golf courses (both on private land). <p>Note 1: bowls facilities exclude indoor bowls. These facilities are included in 'Other Indoor Facilities'. Note 2: excludes bowling greens located at retirement homes/villages.</p>	
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS	COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Howick and Pakuranga analysis areas are well provisioned and have good geographic access to bowling greens, croquet lawns, and golf courses. 2. There is limited immediate provision in the south of the Howick Local Board. However, there is access to sites in adjacent local boards and demand does not necessitate more provision in the area. 3. There is growing demand from clubs for all-weather bowls facilities (artificial greens and covered greens), but any future provision needs to be considered across the overall network of bowls facilities. 4. Bowls and croquet are experiencing a growing demand for more social/casual use, while membership has remained relatively stable in recent years. 5. The advent of bowling greens at local retirement homes/villages has previously impacted bowls membership, and this may continue in some form as the population ages. Improving the experience through facilities, more partnerships, and/or attracting new 'markets' will be required. <p>Note: There was no response received from golf clubs as they have previously worked more autonomously with their course and facility upkeep (both clubs located in Howick are privately owned). Their presence maintains greenspace and presents other active recreation opportunities outside of golf activity itself (e.g., integration of public walking trails).</p>	<p>DISC GOLF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A proposal has been received to develop a 9-hole disc golf course at Lloyd Elsmore Park. • From a network perspective, dedicated disc golf courses are limited across Auckland, particularly in urban areas. <p>HOWICK BOWLING CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the development of the covered green. The project is strategically aligned with the bowls network, fully funded and awaiting building consent. <p>PAKURANGA BOWLING CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation of greens to accommodate and establish the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub. • Remodelling of the current clubroom building due to condition issues and developing a functional shared-hub space. • Redevelop the existing artificial green. • The club has cited a desire for a covered green with lights (more insight?) <p>PAKURANGA CROQUET CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have plans for new irrigation, drainage, and lawn levelling. <p>CROQUET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two clubs are located in relatively close proximity, and one club has indicated the need to upgrade lawns. There could be value in reviewing current provision and consider potential optimisation. 	







6.5 AQUATIC FACILITIES

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 public indoor swimming pool and fitness centre. • 3 private indoor learn to swim facilities. • 15 school outdoor pools. • 4 25m & 33m lap pools (1 public, 2 school-community use, 1 school-only use)
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS			COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An indicative provision assessment of aquatic supply and demand indicates the Howick Local Board has an undersupply in aquatic provision. 2. An indicative functional assessment indicates that the majority of the provision is designed for structured and learning activities, with an undersupply of leisure aquatic provision. This indicates that any additional aquatic provision should focus on leisure aquatic provision to help address the imbalance. 3. Geographically, provision is focused in the north, and there is no provision in the southern area of Howick Local Board. There are three aquatic facilities in Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board close to the boundary. A spatial assessment indicates a spatial gap in the southern area (a geographic gap has previously been identified in Flat Bush). 4. Lloyd Elsmore Pool, as the only indoor public aquatic facility, is well-used and under demand pressure. The facility attracts over 600,000 visits per annum. Approximately 466 aquatic visits per square-metre of water is very high and reinforces the facility is under pressure. 5. Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club and the wider community heavily use two school pools. 			<p>FLAT BUSH AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Facilities Network Plan includes an action for Flat Bush Aquatic and Leisure Centre, but this is currently on hold awaiting funding. • This development has the potential to help address the undersupply, the imbalance and the spatial distribution of aquatic provision in the local board. <p>SCHOOL POOLS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are a number of school pools across the local board; retaining these pools is important to ensure the level of provision does not decrease. • There could be opportunities to upgrade school pools to all-year pools to enable or expand community use. This could contribute to increasing the supply of aquatic provision. This could involve partnerships with existing swim schools or swimming clubs. <p>SWIMMING CLUBS / SWIM SCHOOLS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club reports a stable membership of around 400. • The Club did not report any facility constraints, but they were interested in the development of a 50m pool. • Fulton Swim School report increasing demand. They were considering development of a facility in Flat Bush / Ormiston area but have no current plans.

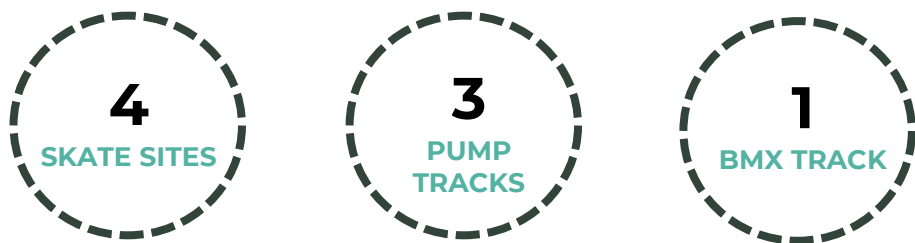
6.6 WATER SPORT AND ACCESS

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW					
					
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS			COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Howick Local Board is well served by outdoor water sports clubrooms and boat ramps. The boat ramps range from small kayaks and dinghy launching ramps to more significant all-tide ramps for larger vessels.2. The major challenge recreational users face is the quality of the mid-size and larger all-tide ramps. These assets become congested at peak times and can be inhibited by parking constraints and the restricted throughput of vessels across ramps.3. As demand continues to increase, the main challenge will be to optimise existing ramps to improve throughput. Methods such as improved parking areas and increased jetty/pontoon capacity can assist in achieving this.			<p>HIGHBROOK REGIONAL WATERSPORTS CENTRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ARPASS reports identified the Highbrook site as the only viable option for creating further public access to the Tāmaki River on its south-eastern banks.• The reports also identified under-served communities in the south-east and this coincided with population growth in this area. These reports identified cost barriers to public participation and capacity limitations of existing watersport sites. The facility is largely for the benefit of flat-water sports and user groups. Primarily rowing and waka ama, with additional focus on schools and special interest groups.• Three stages have already been completed on the overall project (access roads, hardstand, car parking, building platforms, all-tide jetty/pontoon and utility services).• The overall project is to develop a two-storey clubroom/storage building (completed over two stages).• The project was granted \$3.1 million from Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (2024/25) towards temporary facilities and table-top (where the building will ultimately be located on).		

6.7 WHEEL-BASED FACILITIES

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 skate sites – 2 are street skateparks and 2 are small with limited features. • 1 pump track owned and maintained by Auckland Council. • 2 pump tracks located on school premises for community use. • 1 competition grade BMX track with lights at Llyod Elsmore Park. <p>Note: this section focuses on specific sites and facilities supporting bike and skate-related activities and does not include road cycling routes, community bike and skate infrastructure for active transport and proposed greenway plans. Focus is primarily placed on facilities such as pump tracks, learn-to-ride, and skate/scooter parks. Paths (current and proposed) are recognised as important infrastructure for general physical activity and help facilitate and activate sport and recreation sites through greater accessibility and connectivity.</p>
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS			COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is an undersupply of quality wheel-based facilities and opportunities across Howick. 2. Various existing sites have limited features which restricts longer stays, can deter prospective users and are typically not suitable for a range of ages and abilities. 3. The network is currently supplemented by two pump tracks located in schools with available community access. 4. There are currently no graded mountain bike trails (and similar running trails) across the Local Board area, although there are opportunities for trail development in the future, and the Tōtara Park Mountain Bike Trails are located along the southern boundary. 5. There are no formalised learn-to-ride facilities in Howick – alternatively, parks and the pathway network along with outdoor courts are used in lieu of dedicated facilities. 			<p>LLOYD ELSMORE PARK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lloyd Elsmore Park has been identified as a potential wheel destination hub, with the following needs and opportunities cited: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Skatepark upgrade to cater for range of ages/abilities and address drainage. b. Pump Track: develop a track to cater for beginner and advanced riders. c. Learn-to-Ride: develop a destination learn-to-ride circuit. d. Need for support infrastructure i.e. shelter, storage and toilet provision. <p>PUMP TRACKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burswood Esplanade: pump track proposed as part of the Auckland Transport Eastern Busway project. No toilet provision onsite or nearby. • Prince Regent Park: pump track and learn-to-ride prioritised but should be reassessed following any change at Lloyd Elsmore Park due to proximity. • Future provision is likely required in Flat Bush: potentially located at Barry Curtis Park to co-locate facilities and use existing infrastructure. <p>SKATEPARKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logan Carr Reserve: expand current facility with more skate features. <p>MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future opportunities exist for optimising existing topography and sites including Greenmount Reserve (although the site is unlikely to be operational for at least another 10-years) and Point View Reserve (with consideration given to existing bush walkways and ecologically important areas).

6.8 PATHS & OUTDOOR EXERCISE FACILITIES

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY OVERVIEW	
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS	COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES
<div><div>1. Howick has a large network of shared and single-use paths. These are located to promote and showcase the natural topography, vegetation and/or coastline of Howick, while others provide connections to key recreation sites.</div><div>2. The path network is integral for preserving and harnessing the natural landscape of Howick, connecting communities and activating sport and active recreation sites (i.e. enabling active transport to parks and reserves, destination paths and/or connection to other dedicated bike facilities).</div><div>3. There is an extensive series of aspirational walking and cycling trails which have been developed for Howick and Flat Bush.</div><div>4. There are a high number (9) of fitness stations located across the Local Board – all with varying condition, number of stations and type.</div><div>5. The level of awareness and suitability of fitness stations needs further investigation.</div></div>	<div><div>• Continue to review and manage the condition of sealed and non-sealed pathways.</div><div>• Continue to prioritise and implement key actions in the Howick Walking and Cycling Network.</div><div>• Future pathways could be established at the old Greenmount Landfill when it becomes available (at least 10-years from 2023).</div><div>• When undertaking any concept plans or community engagement, consideration should be given to the need and demand for fitness exercise equipment within the context of the site and the community it serves (existing provision and any future proposed provision).</div></div>

6.9 OTHER INDOOR FACILITIES

More detailed information, mapping and analysis underpinning this section is provided in the [Appendix](#).

FACILITY INVENTORY OVERVIEW					
<div><div>5</div><div>GYMNASTICS SITES</div></div>		<div><div>4</div><div>SQUASH COURTS</div></div>		<div><div>1</div><div>RIFLE CLUB</div></div>	
<div><div>14</div><div>MARTIAL ARTS SITES</div></div>		<div><div>16</div><div>COMMUNITY HALLS & SPACES</div></div>		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 gymnastics sites – only 1 is dedicated provision.• 4 squash courts (2 with moveable walls – only site in Auckland).• 14 martial arts sites (50% commercial; 50% venue-for-hire).	
KEY FACILITY FINDINGS			COMMUNITY FACILITY NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Howick Local Board plays an integral role for gymnastics provision across Auckland, delivering various gymnastics-codes and activity across 5 different sites. Most activity centres around the Howick Gymnastics Club which has notable capacity constraints and are servicing a high commercial lease.2. There appears to be an undersupply of squash courts in Howick and the wider eastern suburbs, although pending confirmation from detailed analysis recommended for the Auckland Region.3. There are an extensive number of martial arts facilities used across Howick – most being concentrated in Howick and Pakuranga. 50% of facilities are operating in commercial buildings while the remaining 50% are using other available hire spaces.4. All of Auckland Council’s venue-for-hire facilities are attracting sport and active recreation use. Most of the use is attributed to dance and martial arts (due to demand and suitability of spaces for such activity). Other typical uses include indoor bowls, yoga and pilates.5. There were 16 community halls and spaces identified across Howick which are typically characterised as relatively large open spaces which can be flexible and adaptive to meet community needs. Their use for sport and active recreation can be limited by their size and configuration and availability of access.			<p>GENERAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keep facilities well maintained, communicate availability, and activate indoor spaces across Howick (optimise the use of spaces).• By comparison, there is a low number of community facilities and other indoor spaces available in the Flat Bush area. With future growth, flexible open spaces will likely be in high demand. A partnership approach will be critical. <p>HOWICK GYMNASTICS CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently experiencing capacity constraints and are servicing the cost of a large commercial lease.• A 1,400m² activity space with ancillary spaces has been proposed as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub.• Consideration should be given to consolidating gymnastics delivery across the Local Board where possible. This could potentially free-up some indoor court space at the Howick Leisure Centre and/or the two intermediate schools. <p>HOWICK SQUASH CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tentative Auckland provision guidelines indicate there may be a shortfall of squash courts in Howick and the eastern suburbs. Participation benchmarks indicate population capture is low i.e. number of members to population.• The club plays a key role in the network, which the recent closure of the National Squash Centre has accentuated. The club is now the only provider of moveable wall courts in Auckland.• There are development plans for an additional 1-2 squash courts.		

6.10 PLAY SPACES AND FACILITIES

It is important to recognise the importance of play and being able to facilitate experiences through spaces and facilities. Focus for play across Howick is needed:

- Compared to national participation rates, primary-age residents have lower expected participation rates for play (running around, climbing trees, etc.), playground use, swimming, games (e.g., four square, tag, dodgeball), and scootering.
- Similar trends are evident across the overall Howick Local Board population.
- Increasing trends for engaging in more social and informal activity.
- Housing intensification and new developments lead to smaller or no residential yards for casual play.
- More schools are locking their gates outside school hours, reducing opportunities for localised play on school grounds.

Play can occur in many forms and across various settings (including facilities outlined in previous sections).

FACILITY TYPE	EXAMPLES
Open Space	Use of open space for informal play and activities. Howick comprises many examples including Highland Park, Nimrod Park and various school grounds (open green spaces) and Eastern and Half Moon Bay Beach (sand).
Sports Fields	Although sports fields are heavily used for formal and structured activities, sports fields (Council and schools) also play an important role being accessible for play and recreation.
Public Outdoor Courts	There are 11 basketball court sites, 1 beach volleyball site (2 courts) and 1 tennis court site (2 courts) are Council-owned across Howick plus available school sites.
Indoor Courts	Casual access to undertake play and informal recreation at the Howick and Pakuranga Leisure Centres (i.e. drop-in/casual play)
Aquatic Facilities	Casual swim and opportunities are available at Lloyd Elsmore Pool and Leisure Centre (i.e., leisure pool, splash-pad, and inflatable obstacles).

FACILITY TYPE	EXAMPLES
Water Access	Water access via beaches and kayak ramps. Opportunities exist for pontoons and inflatable obstacles in the water.
Bike and Skate Facilities	There are 4 skatepark and 3 pump track sites located across the Local Board.
Walk and Bike	Whilst out of scope for this study, all tracks and walkways contribute to wider informal recreation provision.
Outdoor Exercise Equipment	While outdoor exercise equipment are designed and installed to service older adults, many stations are used by kids for play and complementary to playgrounds (note: playgrounds are out-of-scope).

WHERE TO AND HOW TO RESPOND?

- Any proposed developments in sport and active recreation facilities should always consider the opportunity to support play and informal use by the community. Planning and feasibility studies should consider wide community engagement to understand play needs and demand, and how they could be accommodated in any new or redeveloped space.
- Give equal consideration to play and recreation compared with structured and formal sport activity to ensure provision supports both outcomes. This should be particularly considered at Lloyd Elsmore Park, with maintaining open space for play and informal recreation (along with supporting environmental outcomes), rather than seeing open-space as always available for facility development or expansion.
- Consider how natural topography could be utilised and optimised for play and informal recreation.
- Enhance quality and maintenance of sports fields to widen capacity and use for play and informal recreation.
- Look to improve park/reserve façades to encourage and promote use of fields to play and recreate. This can also consider design or signage strategies to overcome perceptions of sports having ownership of space.

6.11 SPORT/ACTIVITY BY SITE (OVERVIEW)

The following table highlights known sport and active recreation activities undertaken on sites across the Howick Local Board.

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Note: For the purposes of the analysis, sports field codes have only been assigned to fields allocated to them by Auckland Council.

6.12 LLOYD ELSMORE PARK - OVERVIEW

Lloyd Elsmore Park is the preeminent sport and recreation park in Howick. Due to its location and size, the park accommodates many facilities and users (including non-sport and recreation-based groups/facilities). As land pressure, ageing facilities, increasing demand and other constraints are being experienced across the region, and new and evolving activities/trends emerge, more development proposals are being focused on the park. Subsequently, the park is confronted with the development needs of both existing and prospective users. This is highlighted below (sport and active recreation facilities only).



MAP	ACTIVITY	CURRENT FACILITIES	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS
1	Netball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22 courts Pavilion building with indoor space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Court remedial and improvements 3-4 new covered courts
2	Croquet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 croquet lawns Clubroom building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New irrigation, drainage and levelling
3	Volleyball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 sand volleyball courts 	
4	Bowls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 greens (3 used) Clubroom building 	LLOYD ELSMORE COMMUNITY HUB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce bowling greens to 2 (1 covered) Remodel and enhance clubrooms
NEW 4	Tennis		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6-tennis courts
NEW 4	Gymnastics		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circa 1,400m² activity area + ancillary
NEW 4	Table Tennis		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circa 1,100m² floor area
5	BMX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competition grade track with lights 	WHEEL DESTINATION HUB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toilets and storage
6	Skating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small street-skate park with limited features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade skatepark - beginners through to experienced skaters
NEW 7	Biking		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pump track - develop a track to cater for beginner and more advanced riders
NEW 8	Learn-to-Ride		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Destination learn-to-ride circuit
9	Aquatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25m pool, teaching pool, splash pad, gym + ancillaries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under demand pressure – may require expansion
NEW 10	Disc Golf		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9-hole disc golf course
11	Cricket & Football	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 cricket fields 4 full-size football, 1x 0.5, 2x 0.25 & 7x 0.125 Clubrooms & indoor training facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Future renewals and other potential upgrades (i.e. floodlights)
12	Athletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synthetic track, long jump & pole vault pits, throwing circles and high jump area Clubroom building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track renewal Relocate clubrooms, more parking, shelter, grandstand and lighting
13	Hockey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 full-size water turfs Clubroom building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turf renewal, floodlight upgrades and grandstand strengthening
14	Rugby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 full-size rugby, 3x 0.5 + 2x 0.5 (general sport allocation) Clubroom building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As below – with indoor training and fitness space.
NEW 15	Badminton / indoor sport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 courts across 2 halls (8+3) + ancillaries 	INDOOR COURT HUB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extension of the existing building with 2 new indoor courts and fitness centre
16	Baseball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 baseball diamonds (senior) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drainage upgrades, lighting, diamond upgrades and batting/pitching cage.



7.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Four guiding principles have been developed to underpin the Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan. These principles are derived from the investment principles in Auckland Council's Increasing Aucklanders' Participation in Sport – Investment Plan 2019-2039 and supported by a series of principles from Sport New Zealand's Spaces and Places Framework.

7.1 EQUITY

Investing to provide equity of outcomes across the population which recognise disparities resulting from age, gender, ethnicity, socio-economic status, or geography.

Some key components for consideration include:

- Targeting low participation communities (with identified barriers, low socio-economic areas and/or low current participation rates).
- Māori-led or high degree of Māori involvement likely to increase Māori participation.
- Targets new participants through new or emerging sports or increases/maintains participation in high participation sports.
- Meets a gap in provision, addresses areas of low provision where population growth will impact provision levels, or a development sustains critical provision in the facility network.

7.2 OUTCOME FOCUSED

Investing strategically to deliver maximum value for Aucklanders.

Some key components for consideration include:

- Strategic alignment with sports code, Council, and funder strategies, plans and subsequent outcomes.
- The number of Aucklanders who will benefit from the project.
- Social cohesion and connectivity.
- Economic benefit that can be derived from prospective developments (i.e. employment, investment returns to community).

7.3 ACHIEVABILITY

Investing in projects which can be achieved in the short-term (maximising investment with available funds to drive community outcomes).

Some key components for consideration include:

- Ability of organisation(s) to undertake the project (status, track record, personnel, longevity).
- Likelihood of raising the required capital funds.
- Complexity of the project.
- Ability to leverage other benefits or contributions.

7.4 SUSTAINABILITY

Investing in facilities which can be sustained in the long-term to remain fit-for-purpose and address community needs.

Some key components for consideration include:

- Ability of the facility to cover operating and whole-of-life costs (including future renewals).
- Adaptable and flexible to accommodate a range of activities both now and into the future.
- Maximises utilisation through sharing facilities, partnerships, extended opening hours, enabling diversity of use, and driving revenue.
- Facility accessibility (affordability, physically and locationally accessible).
- Environmentally sustainable approaches are planned and adopted.



8.0 APPROACHES & PRIORITIES

8.1 GENERAL FACILITY APPROACHES

The following general approaches to sports and active recreation facilities should be applied throughout Howick:

- **Cross-Boundary Collaboration** - continue exploring cross-boundary facility partnerships with other local boards to avoid duplication, to maximise the return on investment and impact for the community.
- **School Partnerships** - continue engagement with local schools and the Ministry of Education to optimise community use of school facilities, identify potential collaborative development opportunities and to establish partnerships (see Section 8.2)
- **Optimise What We Have** - maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans/renewal schedules and develop asset management plans where they do not exist.
- **Allocate Spaces and Places Where Need is Greatest** - monitor and review existing facility utilisation and quality regularly to ensure the best sport and active recreation outcomes are achieved.
- **Consider Options** - prior to any major renewals, undertake an independent building condition assessment, and options analysis, to review current state and assess whether alternate facility options may offer stronger benefits.

This may include rationalisation or repurposing of assets where sufficient demand may not exist and/or more viable alternatives are available.

- **Flexible Spaces** - design facilities to be flexible to facilitate diverse programming and delivery opportunities. Consideration for low-impact activity opportunities for an ageing population.
- **Encourage Hubbing** – positive examples already exist across Howick and others are advancing. Hubbing should be encouraged where possible to maximise return on investment, reduce duplication of similar spaces, best utilise available resource, gain operational and governance efficiencies and to coordinate activities.

8.2 STRATEGIC APPROACHES

Various strategic approaches and specific recommendations were identified to inform decision-making on the sport and active recreation facility network. These include:

STRATEGIC APPROACH	RATIONALE
Lloyd Elsmore Park Master Plan Refresh HIGH PRIORITY	An overall vision, concept and development plan is required: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large number of developments are proposed for the park.• Many of the projects involve large facilities with regular visitation. A traffic assessment should be undertaken to consider parking and vehicle movement implications across all projects and potential solutions.• A full park response is needed to avoid duplication, optimise existing assets, consider potential consolidation across the park, and design to maximise the functionality, useability and efficiency of the park. This is considered a priority strategic action to inform projects imminently proposed for the park.
School Use Partnerships HIGH PRIORITY	There is a shortfall of aquatic, indoor courts and sports fields across Howick. It is critical that partnerships and facility unlocking initiatives are pursued to maximise the use of current assets in the school network. The following opportunities have been identified from school engagement: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Botany Downs Secondary School (2 indoor courts)—The 2 indoor courts were not operational in 2024 due to floor damage. Previously, they were used for volleyball 8 hours per week. The school may consider future community use if it is mutually beneficial (i.e. coaching) and/or supports repairs and maintenance. Proposed Action: Sport Auckland engage with the school on prospective use arrangements and initiatives to unlock potential hours for indoor court use.b. Edgewater College (2 indoor courts – different sizes) – currently no community use of the courts. There is potential availability after early evening on weekdays and all-day Sundays. The school has cited personnel support would facilitate greater use of school facilities.

STRATEGIC APPROACH	RATIONALE
	<p>Proposed Action: Sport Auckland engage with the school on prospective use arrangements and support initiatives to unlock potential hours for indoor court use.</p> <p>c. Ormiston Senior College – the school will be undergoing largescale developments in the next 7-10 years in response to a growing population and school roll. Opportunities may exist for future developments.</p> <p>Proposed Action 1: Aktive engage with the School, Ministry of Education and potentially Auckland Council on plans.</p> <p>Proposed Action 2: Sport Auckland support the school on how to be utilise their spaces better to make the most what they have (as mentioned by the school).</p>
Sports Field Renewals HIGH PRIORITY	Continue to implement the renewal programme with focus on condition and demand on fields. Key grounds include William Green, Elm Park, Lloyd Elsmore Park, Riverhills, Ti Rakau and Barry Curtis where grounds have some condition concerns and there is high demand for use (optimising and investing in what we have got).
Casual Court Provision Review	Review the current location, use, functionality, and suitability of existing casual courts across the Local Board (basketball and volleyball). Ensure the current network is delivering quality social play outcomes or whether it needs to be promoted, reimagined, or relocated.
Pickleball Network Assessment	<p>Several facility operators and tennis clubs are interested in future developments or opportunities to accommodate pickleball. It is important not to oversaturate/overinvest in court developments, and a wider network approach is taken to ensure geographic, functional, and access needs are known to optimally meet pickleball demand.</p> <p>Proposed Action: Undertake a scoping assessment for pickleball and potentially padel court provision (indoor, covered, and outdoor). Engagement should include Tennis Auckland, Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre, and CLM.</p>
Implement Priority Actions of the Howick Walking and Cycling Network	Although transport components of the project (i.e. active transport and commuter routes) are outside the scope of this plan, developments such as shared pathways along the eastern busway provide connection to sport and recreation facilities (increasing accessibility). Whilst also connecting communities, activating sites, connecting with other pathways and routes (longer and safer walks and rides) and supporting general physical activity, health and wellbeing outcomes.

8.3 PROJECT/OPPORTUNITY PRIORITISATION

Based on the findings and analysis outlined in previous sections and in the supporting Appendix, a full range of prospective planning and capital projects were identified (excludes general repairs and maintenance).

All projects and opportunities were independently assessed using the assessment criteria developed for Local Board Sport and Active Recreation Facility Plans – outlined in Appendix B. The assessment was undertaken based on available information supplied and gathered during the development of this plan.

The priority list should be recognised as a living tool and updated annually to reflect change. The re-evaluation process will likely see new projects and opportunities emerge and existing project priorities adjusted, as new information becomes available and/or circumstances change. Project proponents are encouraged to engage the Howick Local Board, Auckland Council and Aktive to keep them informed of their project status.

It should be noted this plan does not replace the need for specific focused planning and analysis at a project level. Full feasibility and business case analysis will be required. Inclusion in the Plan as a prioritised project should not be an indication of a project's feasibility or sustainability.

IMPORTANT: Project prioritisation should not be interpreted as an indication of financial support on behalf of the Howick Local Board or Auckland Council.

PRIORITY PROJECTS/OPPORTUNITIES – FULL LIST

Projects are categorised as high (1-3 years), medium (4-7 years) and low (7+ years) based on their assessment and listed alphabetically within each priority. Therefore, it is important to state the list is not in ranked order. In considering the priorities, it will be necessary to be pragmatic and if some of the high priority projects/opportunities look unlikely to advance or are slowed down, medium priority projects, or those smaller in scale and cost could be brought forward.

Note: indicative costings have been sourced from a range of sources including from clubs/organisations, Auckland Council estimates associated with Concept and Master Plans, recent project developments and high-level estimates from a quantity surveyor based on available information. Costs will therefore need to be confirmed as each project/opportunity advances.

REF #	PROPOSED PROJECT /OPPORTUNITY	FACILITY TYPE	PRIORITY LEVEL	BACKGROUND	PROPOSED PROJECT ACTIONS	INDICATIVE COST (\$)	PROJECT LEAD(S)
1	Flat Bush – aquatic and leisure centre	Aquatic & Indoor Courts	High	<p>Aquatic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicative provision assessment indicates Howick Local Board has an undersupply in aquatic provision. Functional assessment indicates the majority of provision is designed for structured and learning activities with an undersupply of leisure aquatic provision. A spatial assessment indicates there is a spatial gap in the southern area (a geographic gap has previously been identified in Flat Bush). The Community Facilities Network Plan includes an action for Flat Bush Aquatic and Leisure Centre, but is currently on hold awaiting funding. This development has the potential to help address the undersupply, the imbalance and the spatial distribution of aquatic provision in the local board. Lloyd Elsmore Pool is experiencing capacity pressure. <p>Indoor Courts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicative provision assessment indicates the Howick Local Board has an undersupply of indoor court provision. Capacity constraints with existing indoor court facilities across Howick. Recent investment into public indoor courts has secured the short-term future, further work(s) is required to determine the long-term provision of both facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore opportunities to whether the aquatic and indoor court components could be staged to drive outcomes. Incorporate any findings from the regional aquatic and indoor court network assessment currently underway for the Auckland Region. Continue to advocate to the Governing Body for funding. 	TBC	Auckland Council

REF #	PROPOSED PROJECT /OPPORTUNITY	FACILITY TYPE	PRIORITY LEVEL	BACKGROUND	PROPOSED PROJECT ACTIONS	INDICATIVE COST (\$)	PROJECT LEAD(S)
2	Greenmount Park – install floodlights	Sports Fields	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large shortfall of floodlit hours for football. Park allocated to football during winter. Sand-based surfaces, but no floodlights is not optimising the investment in the platform. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake floodlight works. 	\$600,000 - \$800,000	Auckland Council
3	Highbrook Park – Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre	Regional Watersports Centre	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constrained provision to accommodate flat water sports and user groups. Primary use for rowing and waka aka, but open to a range of flat-water users and potential commercial interests. Anticipated to have 14,500 annual users in the short-term, growing to 26,750 in the long-term (with secure storage for plant and equipment). The Trust established as a partnership between the Auckland Rowing Association and Auckland Region Outrigger Canoe Association, with representation from Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki. Three stages have already been completed for the overall project (access roads, hardstand, car parking, building platforms, all-tide jetty/pontoon, and utility services). The project was granted \$3.1 million from Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (2024/25) towards temporary facilities and table-top (where the building will ultimately be located on). The project was assessed as the 13th highest priority in edition 1 of the Tāmaki Makaurau Sport and Recreation Facility Priority Plan. ARPASS reports identified the Highbrook site as the only viable option for creating further public access to the Tāmaki River on its south-eastern banks. The reports also identified under-served communities in the south-east and this coincided with population growth in this area. These reports identified cost barriers to public participation and capacity limitations of existing watersport sites. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activate funding plan using leveraged investment from Auckland Council. Secure remaining funds for Stage 1. Complete works. Undertake design and consent for Stage 2. 	Stage 1: \$3.7 million Stage 2: \$4.5 million	Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre Trust and Aktive

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4	Lloyd Elsmore – synthetic athletics track renewal	Athletics Track	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key role in the athletics facility network. Used for several meets and athletics days. Regular use for casual non-member activity. Deteriorating condition and has surpassed the 10-year recommended renewal period. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm required track specification with the Club and Athletics Auckland (considering the wider network and sub-regional status). Complete track renewal. 	TBC	Auckland Council
5	Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub – incorporating bowls, tennis, gymnastics and table tennis	Community Hub	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Local Board granted \$600,000 to the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub project and was originally granted to specifically deliver the gymsports component (or support infrastructure). Pakuranga Bowling Club – the hub within the existing bowling club lease footprint. Opportunity to consolidate greens and improve the clubroom building, which needs remedial work – creating a hub for shared use. With the development of a covered green at Howick Bowling Club, the proposed cover could be considered at a later stage. Pakuranga Tennis Club are seeking to relocate from Ōhуiаrаngi / Pigeon Mountain due to lease constraints – 6 courts (same as current provision). Auckland Table Tennis – capacity constraints exist across the network. A 10-table facility is proposed which aligns with sub-regional categorisation. The Auckland Indoor Court Facility Plan recommends Auckland CBD for sub-regional provision. With future regional-level provision at Manukau Sports Bowl, this could create an evenly distributed network across central, eastern and southern areas. Howick Gymnastics Club – experiencing capacity constraints, high lease costs and has strong alignment with the Auckland Regional Gymsports Facilities Plan. Consolidating gymnastics activity to Lloyd Elsmore may increase available indoor court hours at other sites currently used for gymnastics activity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete cost estimates. Undertake funding assessment and devise a funding plan. Determine development stages which balances being able to accommodate new facilities, enables effective operations and facilitates highest needs being catered for in early stages. Investigate and confirm ownership and management structures. Determine the operational model. 	TBC	Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub

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6	Lloyd Elsmore Park – hockey upgrades (turf renewal, floodlights and pavilion strengthening)	Hockey Facilities	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The second turf is in need of renewal (13 years old and has a typical lifecycle of around 10 years). Floodlights need upgrading due to rust degradation incurred through incorrect installation. Pavilion grandstand strengthening is required. Lloyd Elsmore is the regional centre for hockey activity across central Auckland. Auckland Hockey represents over 12,350 annual participants. Auckland Hockey received \$350,000 from Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (24/25). Identified as the 7th highest project in edition 1 of the Tāmaki Makaurau Sport and Recreation Facility Priority Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalise funding and complete works. 	\$820,000	Auckland Hockey
7	Lloyd Elsmore Park – indoor court development	Indoor Courts	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An indicative provision assessment indicates that Howick Local Board has an undersupply of indoor court provisions. Capacity constraints with existing indoor court facilities across Howick. Expansion of the Pakuranga United badminton/training facility to include 2 full-sized courts and 5 more badminton courts. Pakuranga United Rugby Club received \$2,423,939 from Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (24/25). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activate the funding plan leveraging the funding secured through the Investment Fund. 	\$9.8 million	Pakuranga United Rugby Club

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8	Lloyd Elsmore Park – netball court improvements	Netball	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22 courts owned by Auckland Council. Feasibility study is investigating court improvements. 8 courts are nearly unplayable and require urgent work to provide safe playing courts. Further, 6 courts need work in the near future. 3-4 covered courts being investigated to improve player experiences and help alleviate indoor court demand. Auckland Council have scheduled renewal funding to address the most urgent court issues in 2024/25 and 2025/26. Additional funding may be required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete a feasibility study to determine the most appropriate response to court issues and improvement options. Complete court renewals. Seek funding for other feasible court improvements. 	TBC	Auckland Council and Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre
9	Ostrich Farm Groundworks – development of sports fields in Flat Bush on a current greenfield site.	Sports Fields	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geographic gap in sports field provision. High population growth forecast in the area. Relatively high shortfall of field hours forecast. Master Plan for Ostrich Farm (owned by Auckland Council) can accommodate 5 full-sized fields and 1 junior field. Demand and quality issues experienced across Howick, Pakuranga and Bucklands Beach are a higher immediate priority than fields coming online at Ostrich Farm. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commence initial groundworks in preparation for future sports field demand in the area. 	TBC	Auckland Council
10	Ti Rakau Park – changing room upgrades	Changing Rooms	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changing rooms in poor condition and layout is not conducive for female use. Pakuranga Rugby League Club have experienced significant growth in the women's participants with 115 female players (29% of total membership). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the scope of work. Undertake upgrades. 	TBC	Auckland Council
11	Lloyd Elsmore Park – skatepark upgrades	Skatepark	Medium High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vision to establish Lloyd Elsmore as a Wheel Destination Hub – Wheel Play Study. Upgrades required to skate-park to better cater for a range of ages and abilities and to address drainage concerns. Lack of shelter and toilets to service the facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine the scale and design of the remodelled skatepark as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Master Plan. Consider short-, medium-, and long-term design changes to ensure that any investment aligns with the future concept and that the skatepark is fit-for-purpose. 	TBC	Auckland Council & East Skate Club

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12	Logan Carr Reserve – expand skate features	Skatepark	Medium High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centralised site of Howick with no other provision in the immediate area. Currently offers very limited skate features. Received landowner approval for upgrades. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue community engagement. Complete concept design and undertake cost estimates. 	TBC	East Skate Club and Auckland Council
13	Nixon Centennial Park – covered bowling green (Howick Bowling Club)	Covered Bowling Green	Medium-High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Bowling Club has the largest membership in Bowls Auckland boundary. High number of casual players annually. Strong strategic alignment for covered provision and associated investment. Based on the geographic distribution of covered greens across Auckland, large site and high membership. Note: was not assessed as part of the Tāmaki Makaurau Sport and Recreation Facility Priority Plan as it was fully funded at the time (some cost escalation has occurred since). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secure remaining funds. Submit building consent application. 	\$1.4-1.6 million	Howick Bowling Club
14	Barry Curtis Park – Flat Bush Community/ Sports Hub	Community Hub	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no clubrooms, community spaces or shelter (protection from rain or sun) located adjacent to the main playing fields. The Park is domiciled by Marist Eastern Junior Rugby Club and Flatbush Cricket Club and regularly used for touch and other casual bookings. The Flat Bush Leisure Centre project, which was indicated to accommodate some clubroom facilities, is on hold. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Form a Project Steering Group comprising interested users. Undertake a feasibility study for a community/sports hub or alternative options to meet identified needs. Note consideration must be given to the proposed location and potential Flat Bush Aquatic and Leisure Centre (and timeline). 	TBC	Project Steering Group and Auckland Council
15	Barry Curtis Park – outdoor cricket nets	Outdoor Cricket Nets	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No provision of cricket nets at Barry Curtis Park. Flatbush Cricket Club, based at the park, has 150 registered players and 30 softball players. The junior team train at nets located at Mission Heights Junior College. The closest nets to the Park at Ormiston Primary School have been removed. Lack of nets have been cited as a deterrent for prospective members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore possible locations and concepts for outdoor net provision (considering pathways, parking and other support ancillaries). Other potential developments in the park, i.e., the community/sports hub and Flat Bush Leisure Centre, should also be considered. Consider a potential partnership with Ormiston Senior College, which may need cricket net access. 	TBC	Flatbush Cricket Club, Auckland Cricket and Auckland Council

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16	Blyton Lane Reserve – tennis upgrades	Tennis	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identified need to resurface astro-turf courts. Review drainage and fencing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider potential bulk buying opportunities that Tennis Auckland are investigating. Cost works and devise a funding plan. Note a prioritised list of projects will be identified by Tennis Auckland (due by the end of 2024). 	TBC	Koru Tennis Club and Tennis Auckland
17	Howick Domain – tennis upgrades	Tennis	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Floodlights need to be replaced. Fence replacement. Upgrade of building interior. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider potential bulk buying opportunities that Tennis Auckland are investigating. Cost works and devise a funding plan. Note a prioritised list of projects will be identified by Tennis Auckland (due by the end of 2024). 	TBC	Howick Tennis Club and Tennis Auckland
18	Lloyd Elsmore Park – athletics support ancillaries	Athletics Support Ancillaries	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clubroom building is disconnected from other athletics facilities. No shade/shelter offered around track. Desire for indoor training facility has been raised in response to cancelled trainings due to track condition. Opportunity exists to develop on top of the current storage building. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update elements of 2017 feasibility study to determine viability in the current funding landscape. Opportunities explored as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Master Plan. Priority on track renewal before any possible indoor training facilities. Also consider other facilities on Park. 	TBC	Pakuranga Athletic Club
19	Lloyd Elsmore Park – baseball upgrades	Baseball Facilities	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Club has cited drainage concerns and desire for lighting. Strategic direction cites upgrading senior diamonds to turf and the installation of a covered batting/pitching cage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete a scoping paper which outlines and costs the short, medium and long-term baseball development needs. 	TBC	Howick Pakuranga Baseball Club and Active
20	Lloyd Elsmore Park – pump track	Pump Track	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vision to establish Lloyd Elsmore as a Wheel Destination Hub – Wheel Play Study. Current gap in provision. Development of a track that can cater for beginner and more advanced riders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusion as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Master Plan and determine the implementation approach and timing to establish a Wheel Destination Hub. 	TBC	Auckland Council

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21	Llyod Elsmore Park – development of a disc golf course	Disc Golf	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal for a 9-hole disc golf course at Lloyd Elsmore Park (adjacent to the playground running down the eastern edge of the park). Limited provision across Auckland, particularly in urban areas. Opportunity to introduce a new informal activity with low capital cost and can be integrated in green space and vegetation. Discs could potentially be serviced by the Pool and Leisure Centre. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host pop-up-events to gain profile and to understand potential support and use. Land use for disc golf should be considered as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Park master plan. 	\$58,000	Independent
22	Meadowland Park – softball diamond upgrades and installation of a batting/pitching cage	Softball Facilities	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meadowland Park is identified as a sub-regional diamond sport park. The diamond facility strategy recommends following medium term developments: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> upgrade diamonds 1 and 2 upgrade diamond 3 to turf for dual use Installing a batting/pitching cage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm concepts, gain in-principle approval and determine ownership and funding structures. 	\$TBC \$35,000 \$50,000	Auckland Council
23	Meadowlands Park – development of additional squash courts.	Squash Courts	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tentative Auckland provision guidelines indicate a shortfall of squash courts in Howick and wider eastern suburbs, although pending confirmation from detailed analysis to be completed for Auckland Region. The club is the only provider of moveable wall courts in Auckland. There are development plans for an additional 1-2 squash courts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Await Auckland Region squash provision analysis. If confirmed as a shortfall, undertake needs assessment and feasibility study for additional squash courts. 	TBC	Howick Squash Club, Meadowlands MultiSports Trust and Squash Auckland
24	Point View Reserve – mountain bike tracks	Mountain Bike Tracks	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity to explore mountain bike trails at Point View Reserve. On doorstep of a high growth area. Important trails do not impact existing bush walkways or ecologically important areas. Potential to use and accentuate the natural topography available in the Local Board area. Any investment would be more secure for delivering longer-term bike outcomes compared to commercially owned land. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore how possible tracks could be integrated into the reserve whilst preserving both walkways and ecologically important areas. 	TBC	Auckland Council

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25	Ti Rakau Park – upgrade lighting (higher lux and greater coverage)	Sports Field Lighting	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rugby league - increasing demand for midweek games to meet community needs (reduce the number of the weekend games). Need for more floodlit coverage for training. Pakuranga Rugby League Club has 394 players. The upgrades could allow for different service delivery and ability to generate additional income to support sustainability. Council's service level is for training lighting only, but could be suitable for junior games. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Rugby League engage with Council on the sports field network to determine grounds that are best placed to host midweek games (floodlit conditions). Engage the council on lighting requirements, projected level, type of use, and impact on field demand. Upgrade lights in accordance with the above.. 	TBC	Auckland Rugby League and Auckland Pakuranga Rugby League Club
26	Flat Bush – pump track	Pump Track	Medium Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A pump track in Flat Bush may be required in the future. Current geographic gap. Potential opportunity to co-locate facilities at Barry Curtis Park to optimise and use existing infrastructure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor demand and engage the local community. 	TBC	Auckland Council
27	Ti Rakau Park – clubroom upgrades	Clubrooms	Medium Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are condition issues with the building which constrains service delivery. Main areas of work include the kitchen, toilets and changing rooms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the scope of works and devise a funding plan to undertake the works. 	TBC	Pakuranga Rugby League Club
28	Blyton Lane Reserve – additional tennis courts and court canopy	Tennis	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Koru Tennis Club are seeking an additional 2 courts and covered court provision. There is no evidence suggesting more demand for additional tennis courts for the site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Await network assessment and priorities from Tennis Auckland before proceeding with any investigation for additional courts or court canopies. Consider the potential impact of the proposed relocation of Pakuranga Tennis Club within a 5-10 mins drive. 	-	Tennis Auckland
29	Greenmount Reserve – mountain bike tracks	Mountain Bike Tracks	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Old landfill site with significant amounts of gas still being generated and multiple other remedial projects required before any development can proceed. Forecast development is a minimum of 10 years from 2023. Limited downhill mountain bike trails in the immediate area – closest site is the Tōtara Park Mountain Bike Trails. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore potential track network while acknowledging cultural heritage value of the site. 	TBC	Auckland Council

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30	Lloyd Elsmore Park – destination learn-to-ride track.	Learn-to-Ride	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vision to establish Lloyd Elsmore as a Wheel Destination Hub – Wheel Play Study. Current gap in provision. The existing paths or outdoor courts could be used in the short-term to support learn-to-ride outcomes. There are other wheel-based priorities for Lloyd Elsmore Park. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusion as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Master Plan and determine the implementation approach to establish a Wheel Destination Hub. 	TBC	Auckland Council
31	Llyod Elsmore Park – croquet lawn upgrades	Croquet Lawns	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pakuranga Croque Club has 58 members and has remained stable over last 5-years. Greens used around 12 hours per week in summer and 9 hours per week in winter. Desired improvements include new irrigation, drainage and levelling. Future developments should consider the financial sustainability of two croquet clubs located in relatively close proximity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scope and cost works. Prepare funding plan. 	TBC	Auckland Council
32	Macleans College – developing indoor cricket nets	Indoor Cricket Nets	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The College have plans to upgrade the outdoor cricket nets and develop an indoor cricket facility. While there is some community cricket use of the fields and nets, indoor cricket net provision is well covered at Lloyd Elsmore Park (Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club has 3-lane facility). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue funding drive. 	\$800,000-\$1.2 million	Macleans College
33	Prince Edward Park – wheel facilities	Wheel Facilities	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential development of a pump track and/or learn-to-ride facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the project following any decision-making and/or developments at Lloyd Elsmore Park due to their relative proximity. 	TBC	Auckland Council
34	Criterion Track – development in Howick	Wheel Facilities	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cycling group has raised the prospect of developing a criterium track in Howick. A criterium track has been incorporated as part of a bike hub as part of the Manukau Sports Bowl Masterplan Existing bike facilities are located at the Manukau Sports Bowls (including the velodrome). Located in relative proximity to Howick 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascertain potential timeframes for development at Manukau Sports Bowl and determine the need and feasibility for any complementary facilities in Howick. 	-	Cycling Group, New Zealand

HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT/OPPORTUNITY SNAPSHOT

REF #	SITE	FACILITY TYPE	PROPOSED PROJECT /OPPORTUNITY	PRIORITY LEVEL	PROPOSED PROJECT ACTIONS
1	Flat Bush	Aquatic & Indoor Courts	Development of an aquatic and leisure centre	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore opportunities to whether the aquatic and indoor court components could be staged to drive outcomes. This would require design considerations to enable the centre to be integrated in the future (both aquatic and indoor courts). Incorporate any findings from the regional aquatic and indoor court network assessment currently underway for the Auckland Region. Continue to advocate to the Governing Body for funding.
2	Greenmount Park	Sports Fields	Install floodlights on the sand-based fields	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake floodlight works.
3	Highbrook Park	Regional Watersports Centre	Development of the Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activate funding plan using leveraged investment from Auckland Council. Secure remaining funds for Stage 1. Complete works. Undertake design and consent for Stage 2.
4	Lloyd Elsmore Park – Athletic track	Athletics Track	Synthetic athletics track renewal	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm required track specification with the Club and Athletics Auckland (considering the wider network and sub-regional status). Complete track renewal.
5	Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub	Community Hub	Development of a community club incorporating bowls, tennis, gymnastics and table tennis	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete cost estimates. Undertake funding assessment and devise a funding plan. Determine development stages which balances being able to accommodate new facilities, enables effective operations and facilitates highest needs being catered for in early stages. Investigate and confirm ownership and management structures. Determine the operational model.
6	Lloyd Elsmore Park – Hockey turf	Hockey Facilities	Hockey upgrades (turf renewal, floodlights and pavilion strengthening)	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalise funding and complete works.
7	Lloyd Elsmore Park – Indoor Courts	Indoor Courts	Indoor court extension/development (2 multi-marked indoor courts)	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activate the funding plan leveraging the funding secured through the Investment Fund. Resolve lease area implications and confirm landowner approval. Complete resource consent process. Prepare a Project Outline to outline users, operating model and benefits. Develop a detailed design and construction procurement plan.
8	Lloyd Elsmore Park – Netball Courts	Netball	Netball court improvements and court renewal	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete a feasibility study to determine the most appropriate response to court issues and improvement options. Complete court renewals. Seek funding for other feasible court improvements.
9	Ostrich Farm	Sports Fields	Development of sports fields in Flat Bush on a current greenfield site (initial groundwork preparation)	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commence initial groundworks in preparation for future sports field demand in the area.
10	Ti Rakau Park	Changing Rooms	Changing room upgrades	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the scope of work. Undertake upgrades.



9.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan recommends that:

1. The Refreshed Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan is adopted as a high-level strategic document to assist in optimising the Local Board's sport and recreation facility network.
2. The priority list is aligned with the Local Board's funding framework.
3. The plan's priority list is reviewed annually to reflect change and/or emerging projects. For efficiencies and alignment, it is recommended that this process coincides with the Tāmaki Makaurau Sport and Recreation Facility Priority Plan.

The full Howick Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan is reviewed every 3-years to align with the Local Board Plan.

4. A pragmatic approach is taken to advancing projects across Howick. The high-priority list contains numerous large, complex, and high-impact projects that will likely take time to realise. Opportunities may exist for progressing lower prioritised projects with less complexity and capital cost, which deliver quality community outcomes (consider the opportunity cost of not advancing the project).
5. A strategic development approach and master plan are progressed for Lloyd Elsmore Park. As the most significant and preeminent sport and recreation park within the Local Board, it is important that quality, long-term, and sustainability outcomes are established in alignment with the park's vision.
6. Community-based project proponents should closely align their planning and project outcomes with the Tāmaki Makaurau Sport and Recreation Facility Priority Plan assessment criteria for future regional prioritisation. This will be important for attaining project support and capital funding.

7. When looking to progress development projects, it is important to consider the following (not limited to):

- The environmental impact of the proposed project/opportunity.
- How the facility promotes sustainable land management practices.
- Sustainable design and construction.
- Minimising construction and demolition waste.
- Optimising/retrofitting existing buildings.
- Investigate alternative water sources.
- Kaitiakitanga – a healthy and connected natural environment will restore, maintain, and protect mana whenua whakapapa connection to kaitiaki (people), whenua (place) and atua (primal ancestors).
- Embed climate change mitigation and adaptation measures for park plans.
- Consider active transport modes and accessibility.
- The cultural significance of the land proposed for development and its suitability for what is proposed.
- Inclusion of Māori narrative and place names.

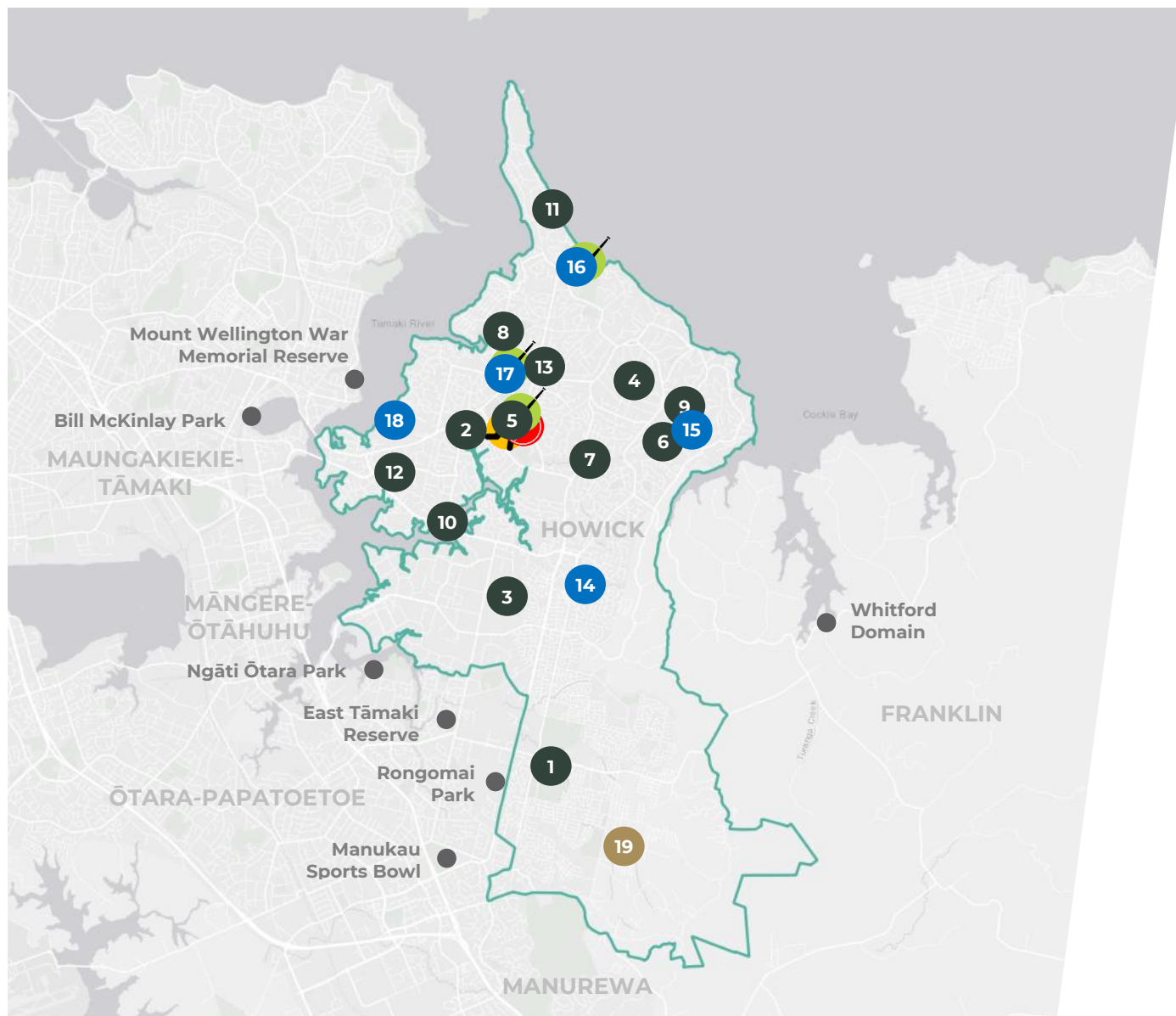
Note the relevant mana whenua should be consulted when proposing developments and considering the above elements.



APPENDIX







SUPPORTING MAPS, INSIGHTS & ANALYSIS

SPORTS FIELDS (INCL. HOCKEY)



Key

1. Barry Curtis Park
2. Elm Park
3. Greenmount Park
4. Howick Domain
5. Lloyd Elsmore Park
6. Meadowland Park
7. Millhouse Reserve
8. Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain
9. Paparoa Park
10. Riverhills Park
11. Rogers Park
12. Ti Rakau Park
13. William Green Domain
14. Botany Downs College
15. Howick College
16. Macleans College
17. Pakuranga College
18. St Kentigern College (one-off events only)
19. Ostrich Farm

-  Council Owned
-  School Owned or Managed (with known community use)
-  Hockey Turf
-  Indoor Training Facility
-  Synthetic Athletics Track
-  Greenfield site – planned for sports fields

INVENTORY

NAME (approx address)	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FFE	DESCRIPTION	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	FIELD USE
Barry Curtis Park (corner Chapel Rd & Flatbush School Rd)	1	Sports Fields	6.5	6x full-size sand-based fields (2 floodlit) 1x half-size sand-based field - general sport (floodlit) 2 grass wicket blocks and 2 artificial cricket wickets 4x touch fields/summer football fields in summer • No clubroom facilities (but home ground for Marist Eastern Rugby and Flatbush Cricket Clubs). • 1 toilet/changing room block	Auckland Council	Winter – Football; Rugby Summer – Cricket; Touch
Elm Park (45R Gossamer Dr)	2	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size sand-based fields (2 floodlit) • No clubroom facilities • 1 toilet changing block	Auckland Council	Winter – Football Summer – General sport
Greenmount Park (117 Guys Rd, East Tamaki)	3	Sports Fields	2.75	3x full-size sand-based fields 5x touch fields in summer • No clubroom facilities • 1 toilet/changing room block	Auckland Council	Winter - Football Summer - Touch
Howick Domain (90R Wellington St, Howick)	4	Sports Fields Clubrooms	2.75	1x full-size sand-based field (partial lighting) 2x .75 sand-based fields (partial lighting) 1x 0.5 size sand-based field (partial lighting) 1x artificial cricket wicket 1x grass athletics sprint track • Howick Tennis Clubrooms (lease expiry 31/08/2021 and • Howick Rifle Clubrooms (lease expiry 30/09/2024)	Auckland Council Howick Tennis Club Howick Rifle Club	Winter – Football, Rugby League Summer – Cricket, Athletics
Lloyd Elsmore Park (36 Cascades Pd, Pakuranga Heights)	5	Sports Fields Clubrooms Indoor Facility	14.375	10x full-size sand-based fields (1 inside athletics track) 6x 0.5 size fields (5x sand-based, 1 soil) 2x 0.25 size sand-based fields 7x 0.125 size sand-based fields 7x Cricket fields (mixed artificial/grass wicket blocks), 6-lane nets 2x baseball diamonds (senior) and fencing • Howick Pakuranga Cricket Clubrooms (Lease expiry 31/12/2040) • Pakuranga Athletic Clubrooms (Lease expiry 31/05/2020) • Howick Pakuranga Hockey Clubrooms (under Auckland Hockey Association, Lease expiry 31/07/2042) • Pakuranga United Rugby Clubrooms (at Bell Park, Lease expiry 31/12/2041) • 3-lane Howick-Pakuranga Cricket Club Indoor Training Centre with bowling machine in ground floor of large clubrooms. Used by many teams/sports for training (i.e., Hockey). • Yvette Williams Athletics Track – IAAF Class 2 Certified all weather athletics facility on Lloyd Elsmore Park. Includes 400m 8-lane	Auckland Council Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club Pakuranga Athletic Club Auckland Hockey Pakuranga United Rugby Club Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club Auckland Council	Winter – Football, Rugby, American Football, (Tamaki Lightning) Athletics, Hockey Summer – Cricket, Baseball, Athletics, Hockey

NAME (approx address)	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FFE	DESCRIPTION	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	FIELD USE
		Athletics Track		artificial track with 2x Long Jump Pits, Discus Circles, Shot Put Circles, Pole Vault Pits and a High Jump area. Base for Pakuranga Athletic Club (Clubrooms lease expiry 31/05/2020). Equipment shed, toilet block, tuck-shop and indoor gym located next to the athletics track.	Pakuranga Athletic Club	
		Hockey Turf	2	2x full-size hockey water turfs (floodlit)	Auckland Hockey	Summer – Hockey Winter – Hockey
		Clubrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Hockey Association facility comprising 2 function rooms (150 & 50 pax with bars & kitchens), café, storage, changing rooms, toilets, and viewing decks/terraced seating for each field (lease expiry 31/07/2042). 		
Meadowland Park (41 Meadowland Dr, Somerville)	6	Sports Fields	3.25	8x 0.25 size sand-based fields 10x 0.125 size sand-based fields 6x senior softball diamonds (2x skins)	Auckland Council	Winter - Football Summer - Softball
		Clubrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meadowlands Multisport Centre (incorporating Clubrooms & facilities for Howick Softball, Howick Squash and Cockle Bay Tennis Clubs (lease expiry 17/03/2039) 	Meadowlands Multisport	
Millhouse Reserve (70-72 Millhouse Dr, Northpark)	7	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size sand-based fields 4x summer football fields	Auckland Council	Winter – Football Summer – Summer Football
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 toilet/changing block 		
Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain (66 Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	8	Sports Fields	1	1x full-size soil-based field (floodlit) 1x roll-up cricket wicket	Auckland Council	Winter – Rugby Summer - Cricket
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No clubroom facilities 1 toilet/changing block 		
Paparoa Park (52 Paparoa Rd, Cockle Bay)	9	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size sand-based fields (1 floodlit) 4x touch fields in summer 1x Australian rules and lacrosse field	Auckland Council	Winter – Rugby League Summer – Touch, Lacrosse, Australian Rules
		Clubrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Hornets Rugby League Clubrooms (lease expiry 31/07/2027) 	Howick Hornets Rugby League Club	
Riverhills Park (168 Gossamer Dr, Pakuranga)	10	Sports Fields	3.5	3x full-size fields (1 artificial, floodlit)*, 2 soil) - *March 2024 #1 field realignment with artificial surface/lights 1x 0.5 size soil-based field/ training area (floodlit)	Auckland Council	Winter – Football Summer – Summer football
		Clubrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fencibles United Football Clubrooms (lease expiry 31/05/2039) 	Fencibles United Football Club	
Rogers Park (1 Jern Place, Bucklands Beach)	11	Sports Fields		1x full size sand-based field (partial lighting)	Auckland Council	Winter – Football Summer – Summer football
		Clubrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bucklands Beach Football Clubrooms (lease expiry 31/03/2022) Beside Bucklands Beach Tennis Club and public toilets 	Bucklands Beach Football Club	

NAME (approx address)	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FFE	DESCRIPTION	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	FIELD USE
Ti Rakau Park (25R William Roberts Rd, Pakuranga)	12	Sports Fields Clubrooms		2x full-size soil-based fields (1 floodlit) 2x 0.75 size sand-based fields (1 floodlit) 1x 0.5 size sand-based fields 2x cricket fields with artificial cricket wickets 1 Cricket net facility - 2 artificial lanes • Pakuranga Rugby League Clubrooms (lease expiry 19/05/2039) • Beside public toilets	Auckland Council Pakuranga Rugby League Club	Winter – Rugby League Summer – Cricket, Touch (x6)
William Green Domain (590 Pakuranga Rd, Highland Park)	13	Sports Fields Clubrooms		1x full-size artificial field (floodlit) 1x 0.5 size artificial field (floodlit) 3x 0.25 size artificial fields (floodlit) • Fencibles United Football clubrooms (lease expiry 16/06/2039) • Beside public toilets	Auckland Council Fencibles United Football Club	Winter – Football Summer – Football
INTERMEDIATE AND SECONDARY SCHOOL FACILITIES						
Botany Downs College (575 Chapel Rd, East Tamaki)	14	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 1x cricket field (1x artificial cricket wicket) 1x cricket nets facility – (2-lane artificial) • <i>Some community use of fields - Howick-Pakuranga Cricket and Fencibles Football</i>	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket
Edgewater College (32 Edgewater Drive, Pakuranga)	-	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 2x cricket fields (artificial wickets) 1x cricket net facility (2-lane artificial)	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket
Elim Christian College Golflands Campus (Junior) (94 Golfand Drive, Golflands)	-	Sports Fields	1	Separate Senior & Middle/junior campuses. Middle/Junior campus* has: 1x artificial multisports field marked for football and hockey, • includes 2x netball, basketball & futsal courts marked within (see 'outdoor courts') • <i>No community use indicated</i>	Elim Christian College	Winter – football, hockey, multiple Summer - multiple
Farm Cove Intermediate School (16 Butley Dr, Farm Cove)	-	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 1x cricket field (1x artificial cricket wicket)	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket
Howick College (25 Sandspit Rd, Howick)	15	Sports Fields	3.75	2x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 2x overlapping cricket fields (2x artificial cricket wickets) 1x 0.75 artificial field 1x cricket net facility (3-lane artificial) 1x grass athletics track	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket

NAME (approx address)	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FFE	DESCRIPTION	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	FIELD USE
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community use – predominantly cricket and winter condition-limited) 		
Macleans College (2 Macleans Rd, Eastern Beach)	16	Sports Fields	7	1x artificial grass field (floodlit) marked for 1x Rugby and 1x Football 5x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 3x cricket fields (1x grass block and 2x artificial wickets) 1x cricket nets facility (4-lanes artificial) 1x grass athletics track and long jump pit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community uses of fields – Football and Cricket (nets) 	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer – Cricket, Athletics
		Hockey Turf	1	1x hockey turf (floodlit) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community use 	Macleans College	Summer – Hockey Winter – Hockey
Mission Heights Junior College (103 Jeffs Road, Flat Bush)	-	Sports Fields	2	2x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 1x cricket field with artificial wicket 1x cricket net facility (3-lane artificial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No current community use of fields, but nets are used by Flatbush Cricket Club 	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer – Cricket,
Ormiston Senior & Junior Colleges (275 Ormiston Road, East Tāmaki)	-	Sports Fields	3	New school precinct with some facilities still in-development/proposed. Adjacent Senior & Junior Colleges & Primary School 3x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 1x cricket field with artificial cricket wicket 1x cricket nets facility (3-lane artificial) 2x artificial floodlit multi-sport surfaces – with training lines (including hockey goals, also see ‘outdoor courts’) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No current community use of fields – condition can’t sustain use 	Ministry of Education	Summer – Cricket, Hockey Winter – Football, Rugby
Pakuranga College (180 Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	17	Sports Fields	3	3x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 1x cricket field (1x artificial cricket wicket) 1x cricket net facility (3-lanes artificial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community use of fields – Auckland Cricket, Fencibles football 	Ministry of Education	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket
		Hockey Turf	1	1x full-size floodlit artificial hockey turf surface. Also includes markings for tennis, netball & basketball courts (see ‘Outdoor courts’) courts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community use - Howick Hockey Club 	Pakuranga College	Summer – Hockey, Winter – Hockey,
St Kentigern College (130 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga)	18	Sports Fields	10	8x full-size grass fields (base unknown) 4x smaller practice fields (base unknown) 6x cricket fields (3x grass block and 3x artificial cricket wickets) 1x grass athletics track and long jump pits 2x cricket nets facilities (both 3-lane artificial)	St Kentigern Trust	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer- Cricket, Athletics

NAME (approx address)	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FFE	DESCRIPTION	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	FIELD USE
		Indoor Cricket Training Facility		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some community uses of fields – mainly for one-off events (e.g. college sport tournaments, camps etc) to support community and/or benefit the school 4-lane indoor cricket training facility 		
Sancta Maria College (319 Te Irirangi Dr, Flat Bush)	-	Sports Fields	3	3x full-size grass fields (base unknown), 2x 0.5 fields 1x cricket field (1x artificial cricket wicket) 1x cricket net facility (2-lanes artificial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No current community uses of fields 	Sancta Maria College	Winter – Rugby, Football Summer - Cricket

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

SUPPLY AND DEMAND

- Overall, there is forecast to be a **shortfall** of 368 weekday floodlit hours per week across Howick by 2023 (2023 SANS Winter Report, Auckland Council). This is primarily attributed to football (-336 hours), to more moderate levels for rugby and league (-19 and -12 hours respectively). Additionally, football shows a current shortfall of weekday training hours (non-floodlit) of 150 hours per week (all other codes have surplus hours).

Around half the forecast shortfall is to be experienced in Pakuranga.

- All neighbouring Local Boards are forecast to have notable weekday floodlight shortfalls by 2033.

TABLE A.1 – PROJECTED SUPPLY SURPLUSES/SHORTFALLS IN HOWICK BY 2033

ANALYSIS AREA	W'END	TOTAL W'DAY	W'DAY FLOODLIT
Dannemora Botany North	0	0	-36
Howick	34	-5	-56
Ormiston Botany South	14	-46	-87
Pakuranga	29	-14	-189

CURRENT FIELDS WITH AUCKLAND COUNCIL MANAGEMENT

- Outside of limited access to school-based sports fields, all other sports field use is confined to parks and reserves owned and managed by Auckland Council (13 sites).
- Howick has the 8th highest number of full field equivalents (FFE) across all Local Boards (47.625), while having the 17th highest FFE per 1,000 residents.
- Around 50% of FFE are floodlit which is on par with Auckland overall.
- Overall, the Pakuranga analysis area comprises 55% of total full-field equivalents (FFE), followed by Howick (26%). The projected growth areas for Howick have notably lower sports field provision.
- Howick has one of the highest proportions of sand, hybrid and/or artificial surfaces across all Local Boards – providing more usage hours than soil-based fields.
- Football accounts for over 50% of sports field allocations across Howick.
- Two sites comprise artificial turfs dedicated to football (primarily used by Fencibles United AFC – with adjacent clubrooms owned by the club under Council ground leases).
- Excluded from the analysis, Ostrich Farm is a greenfield site owned by Council and planned to accommodate 5 full-sized fields and 1 junior field.

TABLE A.2 – OVERVIEW OF COUNCIL-OWNED SPORTS FIELDS

	SITES	FFE	SOIL	SAND	ARTIFICIAL
Howick	13	47.625	7.25	37.125	3.25

SCHOOL FIELDS

While community use of school fields and hockey turf exists across some schools, it is typically constrained by a mix of the following:

- Overall condition of the fields cannot take more demand outside of school activity,
- School programming/utilisation limits or cannot accommodate community use,
- No fields are floodlit. When lighting is accompanied by a sand-based field this can increase capacity and would align with when field shortfall is the greatest for community use.

The following secondary schools cited community use:

Botany Downs Secondary College – Summer Use: 10 hours per week for Pakuranga Cricket Club (reciprocal facility use agreement); Winter Use: 6 hours per week for Fencibles United AFC (although winter use is managed depending on weather conditions).

Additional use could potentially be facilitated through mutually beneficial agreements i.e. coaching arrangements or support with maintenance and repair costs.

Macleans College – Summer Use: 4 hours per week for cricket and 7 hours per week for hockey; Winter Use: 9 hours per week for football and 7 hours per week for hockey.

The school indicated there is **available capacity** of the fields after 2pm during weekends. The school are **intending to upgrade the outdoor cricket nets/indoor cricket facility**. While the upgrades may support some community use, the indoor facility at Llyod Elsmore Park is the primary site for community cricket use (and meets community needs).

St Kentigern College – use is limited to one-off community events only (due to high school demand and use). Event deliverers include College Sport and Touch NZ.

Other use previously noted included:

- **Howick College** – Summer Use Only: cricket.
- **Pakuranga College** – Summer Use: Auckland Cricket (8-10 hours); Winter Use: 8-10 hours (training) for Fencibles United AFC and Howick Hockey Club (turf/court area).

CODE/GROUP OVERVIEW

ATHLETICS		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Pakuranga Athletics Club	Llyod Elsmore Park Howick Domain	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current membership of 1,100, with 900 junior and 200 senior members. • Increasing interest with more Asian / Indian descent families joining the club / participating. • More coaching/training opportunities being requested. • Year-round activity with use level averages: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. For Yvette Williams Track (7 days/week) - around 40 hours/week (summer) and 20 hours/week (winter). b. For Clubrooms (some weekdays & Sat) - around 30 hours/week (summer) and 20 hours/week (winter) c. Other uses of equipment shed / toilet block/ tuck-shop/ indoor gym located next to athletics track. This is used 7 days / week, approx. 30-35 hours / week, more in November / February when schools hire the facility, some weeks usage could be 60-70 hours / week when there are schools there five days/week. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities were reported as only meeting needs moderately, with many issues associated with capacity and facility quality at larger events and from lack of shelter, lighting and track/fields maintenance generally. • Desired improvements cited by the club are relocated clubrooms, more parking space, a covered viewing areas/stand, lights, major track quality upgrade/maintenance planning, field quality and an indoor training facility. • The facility next to the track is heavily used for operations and presents as an opportunity for future development. • Desire for better field maintenance at Howick Domain (a highly used junior satellite facility). 	
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yvette Williams Track is recognised as a key competition venue in the network. 	
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently 13-years old (typically 10-year renewal period). 	

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Howick Softball Club (Fencibles)	Meadowland Reserve	✓
Howick Pakuranga Baseball Club	Lloyd Elsmore Park	
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Pakuranga Baseball Club comprised 19 teams in 2020/21 season. 	
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Diamond Sports Regional Facilities Plan (2021) identifies the following for Howick:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lloyd Elsmore Park is identified as the preferred regional baseball park (southern region). Meadowlands Park is identified as the preferred sub-regional hub area for eastern Auckland. <p>Short-term priorities (1-3 years):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Lloyd Elsmore Park – upgrade senior diamonds to turf (circa \$100,000). Lloyd Elsmore Park – install covered batting/pitching cage (circa \$50,000). <p>Medium-term priorities (4-6 years):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Meadowlands Park – upgrade skin diamonds on 1 and 2. Meadowlands Park – third diamond upgrade to turf and for dual use (circa \$35,000). Meadowlands Park – installation of batting/pitching cage (circa \$50,000). Lloyd Elsmore Park – install scoreboards at both senior diamonds. Lloyd Elsmore Park – upgrade drainage and sand carpet outfields. <p>Long-term priorities (7-10 years)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Meadowlands Park – installation of outfield lights for diamond 1. Meadowlands Park – reconfigure lights for softball diamond 1. Lloyd Elsmore Park – install lighting over diamond 1. Lloyd Elsmore Park – upgrade changing room and toilet facilities onsite. 	
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Pakuranga Baseball Club have proposed drainage upgrades and installation of lighting (as outlined above) – although at earlier timeframes than what is proposed in the facilities plan. 	

CRICKET		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS
Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club	Lloyd Elsmore Park	✓
Flatbush Cricket Club	Barry Curtis Park	-
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Pakuranga cited the following trends: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 16-20 are wanting to play T20 cricket – particularly important for engaging school leavers. More interest in participating during the week as well as or instead of weekend cricket. General growth in junior players across Howick. Growth in the Indian community. Flatbush Cricket Club has experienced notable growth and currently comprise 150 registered players and 30 softball players. Most players are senior (9 of the 10 teams), while most are localised based. In lieu of training nets at Barry Curtis Park, teams use Mission Heights School and other nets where they can gain access. The Auckland Regional Cricket & Kilikiti Facility Plan (2022 refresh) found that Howick has the third highest number of cricket teams in its borders compared to other Local Boards, with a high proportion involved in mid-week play. The indoor training facility at Lloyd Elsmore is used by a range of codes for training (i.e. hockey) – although its primary use is for cricket. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flatbush Cricket Club have further expressed their need for nets and in numerous occasions no net provision it has deterred prospective memberships. This has been compounded with the removal of nets at Ormiston Primary School. The club has also noted their support for a community hub and/or shelter (rain and sun protection) – no mature trees currently provide this. Some pitch repairs are required due to impact from other code users. <p>The Auckland Regional Cricket & Kilikiti Facility Plan cites:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10 outdoor nets are in poor condition across Howick. Barry Curtis Park – need for training and support infrastructure to facilitate activity. Key priority areas for additional ground/pitch provision (by school partnerships and/or new provision) should focus on a number of Local Boards, featuring Howick as a higher demand area. 	

CRICKET	
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Regional Cricket & Kilikiti Facility Plan (2022 refresh) included the following findings related to Howick:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick is a high demand area. There was a noticeable shortfall in pitch availability (especially for mid-week play/training) in a few Central Auckland Local Boards (including Howick). Particularly when considering other demands for field use. This shortfall was projected to gradually increase.
Proposed Developments	<p>The Auckland Regional Cricket Facility Plan (2022 refresh) found the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barry Curtis Park (high priority) – development of outdoor nets and changing rooms.

FOOTBALL		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS
Bucklands Beach AFC	Lloyd Elsmore Park	✓ shared with cricket
Fencibles United AFC	Riverhills Park	✓
	William Green Domain	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership is increasing (Bucklands Beach AFC – over 700 members; Fencibles United AFC – over 1,000 members). General growth areas were reported for female and junior players. Fencibles reported participation by larger proportions of Asian families and people wanting to play casually (i.e. not a member). Bucklands Beach AFC share clubroom facilities with Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club (seasonal access). With the recent development of an artificial turf at Riverhills Park, there are now two artificial sites provisioned (providing higher levels of sports field capacity). Bucklands Beach AFC gain access to a further 6 parks/sites for training purposes (outside of Llyod Elsmore Park). 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both clubs have cited field capacity constraints, primarily related to training activity (under floodlit conditions). Overall field capacity, quality issues (surfaces/drainage), lighting and limited indoor options were the main issues highlighted. Rogers Park – old clubroom building needs maintenance. 	

FOOTBALL	
Strategic Context	The Northern Region Football Facilities Plan is currently being developed. Identified insights, priorities and recommendations should be conveyed and updated as part of an annual action plan for the Howick Local Board.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new artificial turf at Riverhills Park has been completed. Other field works on the natural fields are in the pipeline.

HOCKEY		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS
Auckland Hockey Association	Llyod Elsmore Park	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Hockey represents over 12,350 annual participants. Utilised by Howick Pakuranga Hockey Club, Masters Women's Hockey Club, Auckland University Hockey Club (currently) and by many schools. Lloyd Elsmore is the regional centre and community hub for hockey activity across central Auckland. Stage 1 facility works have been completed at the centre including building repairs, turf 1 renewal, floodlight and scoreboard upgrades. The centre is currently on the only multi-turf facility in Auckland Hockey's catchment. The Macleans College turf is also used for community delivery. Utilised by other organisations outside of hockey such as Marching Band Auckland. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turf renewal (current turf is 13-years old (typical lifecycle is 10-years)). Floodlight upgrades (rust degradation due to incorrect installation in the 1990s). Grandstand strengthening. 	
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Hockey Regional Facility Report (2019) identifies the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Future Auckland Priority: undertake a feasibility study into the refurbishment of changing rooms/clubrooms at Lloyd Elsmore to include replacement roof, changing and clubroom refurbishment and lighting upgrades. Explore options to install sustainable water control systems at new turfs and upgrade existing turfs to reduce the reliance on water-based turf. 	

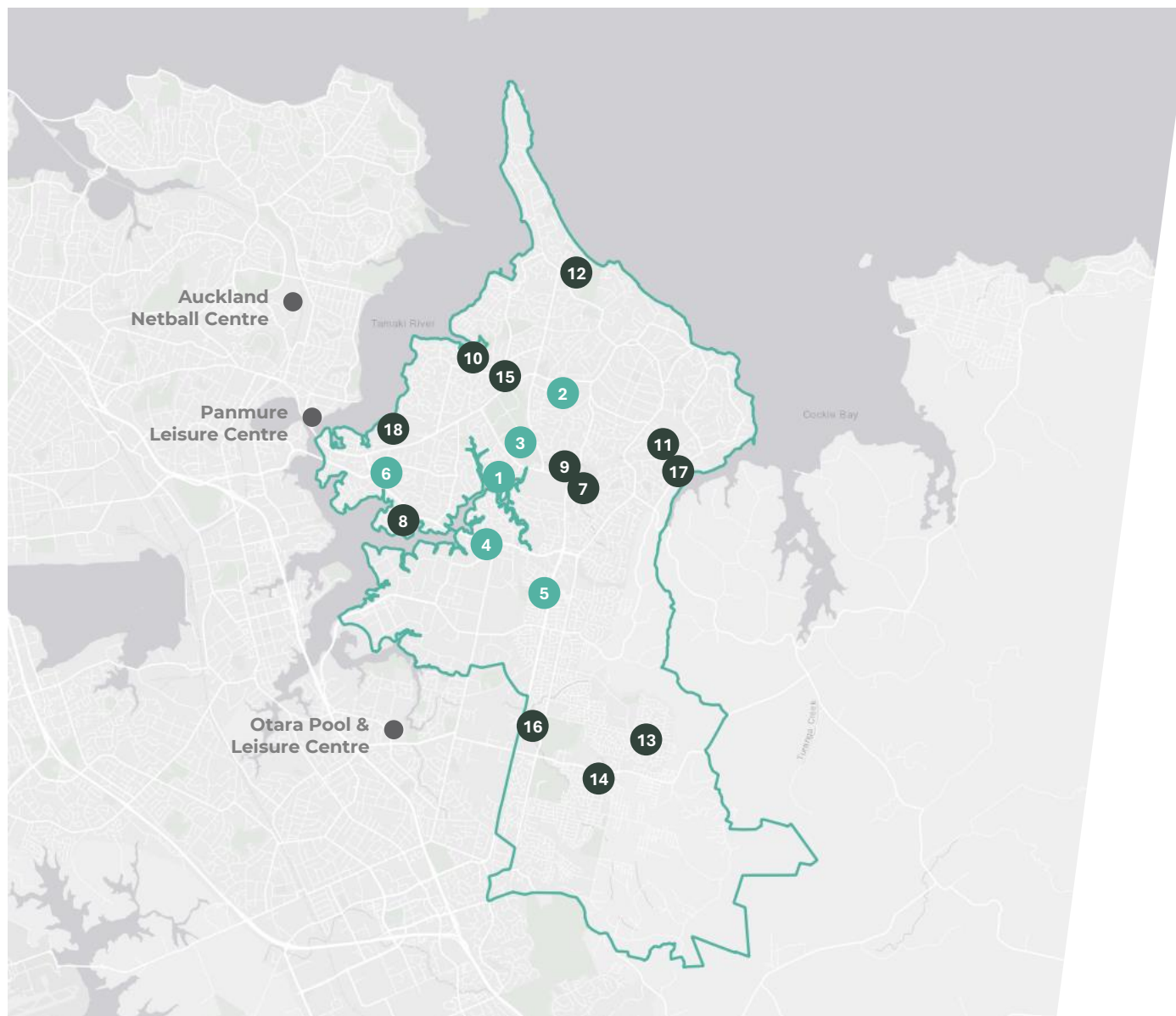
HOCKEY	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary need for meeting future demand is through community hockey facilities. Two turf development proposed for Colin Maiden Park (around 10km away).
Proposed Developments	<p>Planned construction for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turf renewal (current turf is 13-years old (typical lifecycle is 10-years). Floodlight upgrades (rust degradation due to incorrect installation in the 1990s). Grandstand strengthening. <p>Project totalling circa \$818,000. Note: Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (2024) granted \$350,000 towards turf renewal and light upgrades.</p>

RUGBY LEAGUE		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Pakuranga Rugby League	Ti Rakau Park	✓
Howick Hornets Rugby League & AFL	Papaora Park	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Rugby League have indicated that overall membership has remained stable over recent years. Growth is evident in the female game and players aged between 25-35 (primarily associated with the open-age weight restricted grade (90kg). Pakuranga Rugby League – total membership of 394 (18 teams). Comprising 279 male players and 115 females). Howick Rugby League – total membership of 379 (15 teams). Comprising 323 male players and 56 females). Howick Hornets Rugby League Club are associated with the Howick Hornets AFL team (shared facilities). Increasing demand for more games being hosted during the week to meet changing community needs. This requires higher lux levels and greater field coverage. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pakuranga Rugby League Club have cited lighting (higher lux level and coverage for training and for hosting weekday games) and drainage issues at Ti Rakau Park. 	

RUGBY LEAGUE	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ti Rakau Park - field placement concerns with balls going onto the road network and carpark. Whilst the dead ball and sidelines are close to walkways which have been installed. Auckland Council owned standalone changing rooms at Ti Rakau Park need upgraded to be fit-for-purpose and to meet the growth of the women's game. Pakuranga Rugby League Club clubrooms need upgrades: kitchen, toilets and changing rooms. Howick Rugby League Club – general repairs and maintenance of the clubrooms, with specific attention needed on the windows and doors (health and safety concern).
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Regional Rugby League Facilities Network Plan cites the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ti Rakau Park (high priority): continue to monitor NZTA realignment and potential impact on clubrooms and changing rooms. Howick (medium priority): Council to review need for community changing and toilet facilities.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ti Rakau Park – complete upgrades on the standalone changing room building to be more conducive for female use. Ti Rakau Park – upgrade lighting to enable more weekday games to be played under floodlit conditions (lux and coverage). Ti Rakau Park – move fields to avoid health and safety concerns with surrounding infrastructure. Pakuranga Rugby League – upgrade clubrooms (kitchen, toilets and changing rooms).

RUGBY		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS
Pakuranga United Rugby Club (PURC)	Llyod Elsmore Park	✓
Marist Eastern Junior Rugby	Barry Curtis Park	
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memberships had been growing pre-COVID but were now reported as declining in some clubs, with PURC reporting decreased junior numbers while Marist eastern reported an increase. Main overall changes in general participation types and patterns were related to more female, junior, non-contact and weeknight play options. PURC are a multisport group which comprises ownership of a gymnasium facility used primarily for badminton – see the Indoor Sports Court section. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clubs reported field facilities were not meeting their needs well, with maintenance of surfaces/drainage and limited lighting cited as the main issues. Both clubs reported they were open to considering facility partnership arrangements in the future. Need for shelter at Barry Curtis Park. 	
Strategic Context	<p>Based on conclusions from the Wider Auckland Rugby Facility Plan (2018-2028):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With a scenario of no weather-based field closures, there is typically a surplus of more than 20 available hours modelled from allocated fields in many Local Board Areas (including Howick). Even with a scenario including some weather-based field closures there is still surplus capacity modelled for Howick. The 12 Priority Projects identified by the Rugby Facility Working Group in the 2019 Regional Facility Priorities did not include any park projects in Howick. 	
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marist Eastern Junior Rugby Club have completed a feasibility for the development of a community facility at Barry Curtis Park. 	

INDOOR SPORTS COURT FACILITIES



Key

1. Action Indoor Sports Pakuranga
2. Howick Leisure Centre
3. Lloyd Elsmore Park Badminton Hall
4. Love Life Badminton Hall
5. NZ Badminton Centre
6. Pakuranga Leisure Centre
7. Botany Downs College
8. Edgewater College
9. Elim Christian College Senior Campus
10. Farm Cover Intermediate
11. Howick College
12. Macleans College
13. Mission Heights Junior College
14. Ormiston Senior & Junior Colleges
15. Pakuranga College
16. Sancta Maria Catholic College
17. Somerville Intermediate
18. St Kentigern College

● Indoor Courts (publicly available)

● School Owned or Managed Courts (with community use)

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	COURT #	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Action Indoor Sports (30 Ben Lomond Crescent, Pakuranga)	1	Indoor Courts (multi-code)	2	2x indoor netball courts (netted with smaller/modified court size). The space also accommodates 2x indoor cricket lanes and used for junior football.	Private	Private	Action Indoor Sports Pakuranga	-
Howick Leisure Centre (563 Pakuranga Rd, Howick)	2	Indoor Courts (multi-code)	1	1x basketball, with 3x badminton courts; Fitness gym; group fitness, dedicated martial room used by multiple groups; and function space (with kitchen); childcare facility. Base for Howick Badminton Club Incorporates space lease for Howick Bridge Club (lease expiry 31/12/2040)	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Lloyd Elsmore Park (LEP) Badminton Hall (Bell Park, Lady Marie Drive, Pakuranga)	3	Badminton Courts	11	11 full sized badminton courts in two halls. Markings for two ¾ basketball courts and half netball court, changing facilities, mezzanine lounge and kitchen / café.	Auckland Council	Pakuranga United Rugby Club (PURC)	Llyod Elsmore Park Badminton Cub	31/12/2041
Love Life Badminton Hall (295 Ti Rakau Drive, East Tamaki)	4	Badminton Courts	5	5x badminton courts; Pro Shop	-	Love Life Badminton	Love Life Badminton	N/A
NZ Badminton Centre (Ni Ling) (443 East Tamaki Rd, East Tāmaki)	5	Badminton Courts	22	25 badminton courts in 4 arenas. Roof height 7-11.5 metres depending on arena. 2x table tennis courts; changing facilities; club room; Pro Shop	-	Badminton NZ	Badminton NZ	N/A
Pakuranga Leisure Centre (13 Reeves Rd, Pakuranga)	6	Indoor Courts (multi-code)	1	1x basketball court with 3x badminton courts, and function rooms. Use by table tennis.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
SCHOOL FACILITIES				(mostly secondary schools with defined courts)				
Botany Downs College (575 Chapel Rd, East Tāmaki)	7	School Gym	2	New gym with 1x basketball court; mezzanine viewing; classrooms; dance room. Currently retain old gym with 1x basketball court but both affected and constrained by floor damage and repair costs. <i>Some community use – local volleyball club for training, reciprocal training for pupils.</i>	MOE	MOE	Botany Downs College	N/A
Edgewater College (32 Edgewater Drive Pakuranga)	8	School Gym	2	Large gym: 1x basketball court with 4x badminton, 2x volleyball. Small gym 3x badminton courts <i>Some community use – by Korean school using all facilities on weekends (no other requests)</i>	MOE	MOE	Edgewater College	N/A

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Elim Christian College Botany Campus (Senior) (*159 Botany Rd, Botany Downs)	9	School Gym	1	Senior Botany Campus gym: 1x basketball/netball court, 1x volleyball court and 4x badminton courts, and a fitness room. <i>Some community use – for badminton, netball, football, volleyball</i>	Elim Christian Centre	Elim Christian Centre	Elim Christian College	N/A
Farm Cove Intermediate (14-16 Butley Drive, Farm Cove)	10	School Gym	1	1x basketball court with 4x badminton. <i>Used for school training for badminton, table tennis, basketball. Also used for gymnastics (see Other Indoor Facilities).</i>	MOE	MOE	Farm Cove Intermediate	N/A
Howick College (25 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)	11	School Gym	1	1x basketball court, with netball and volleyball markings <i>Some community use – for Basketball (ABSL), Table Tennis, Martial arts classes</i>	MOE	MOE	Howick College	N/A
Macleans College (2 Macleans Rd, Eastern Beach)	12	School Gym	2	2x basketball courts with 3x volleyball, 6x badminton and table tennis with fitness room. <i>Some community use – basketball and badminton.</i>	MOE	MOE	Macleans College	N/A
Mission Heights Junior College (103 Jeffs Rd, Flat Bush)	13	School Gym	1	1x basketball/netball court with 8x badminton & 2x volleyball. <i>Some community use – Auckland Basketball and Auckland Badminton and Table Tennis.</i>	MOE	MOE	Mission Heights Junior College	N/A
Ormiston Senior & Junior Colleges (275 Ormiston Road, East Tāmaki)	14	School Gym	1	New school precinct with some facilities still in-development. Gym with 1x basketball court, with 1x netball, 1x volleyball and 4x Badminton. <i>Some community use – court sports, Taekwondo but limited capacity.</i>	MOE	MOE	Ormiston Colleges	N/A
Pakuranga College Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay	15	School Gym	3	New gym: 2x basketball courts with 1x netball court and 8x badminton courts; changing rooms, storage; teaching areas. Old gym: 1 basketball court. <i>Some community use – by Auckland Basketball Services (ABSL) for competitions, Auckland Badminton and local netball club-training.</i>	MOE	MOE	Pakuranga College	N/A
		School Hall	10	Base for Tune Table Tennis Club training and play with 10x (portable tables) tables layout.				
Sancta Maria Catholic College (19 Te Irirangi Drive, Flat Bush)	16	School Gym	1	1x basketball/netball court with 4x badminton courts. Fitness room. <i>Used by Auckland Basketball Services (ABSL) for competitions.</i>	Sancta Maria Catholic College	Sancta Maria Catholic College	Sancta Maria Catholic College	N/A

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Somerville Intermediate (Somerville Rd, Somerville)	17	School Gym	1	1x basketball court with 4x badminton, 2x volleyball courts. <i>Base for Somerville Afterschool Junior Table Tennis Club. Used for gymnastics (see Other Indoor Facilities).</i>	MOE	MOE	Somerville Intermediate	N/A
St Kentigern College Sports Centre (130 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga)	18	School Gyms	3	2 halls with 3 basketballs courts with 2 netball courts, 3x volleyball 6x badminton; seating in one, fitness centre and dance studios. <i>No community use</i>	MOE	MOE	St Kentigerns Trust	N/A

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

NATIONAL INDOOR RECREATION AND SPORT FACILITIES STRATEGY 2024

The Strategy provides direction to inform investment into indoor active recreation and sport facility network and to transform the current network to best meet community needs.

The indoor active recreation and sport sector is facing increasing pressures:

- Maintaining an existing and aging network of indoor facilities.
- Meeting demand from a growing, diversifying and ageing population.
- Adapting to changing needs within the community.
- The escalating cost of provision, both capital and operational.
- Adapting to climate change and improving environmental sustainability.

Supply is measured as a Full-time Equivalent (FTE), depending on the size of the space (relevant to a full-sized basketball/netball court) and the level of availability for community use.

Demand: provision of 1 FTE of indoor active recreation and sport court per 7,800 population.

Conclusions at a national level:

- Across New Zealand there is a deficit of indoor sport and recreation provision, with the Auckland Region with a significant deficit.

- As a whole the needs of international, national and regional event and tournament facilities is met.
- Indoor and covered active recreation and sport facility planning should focus on meeting the local community demands.

Potential solutions to meet demand:

- Increasing access to an existing school facility.
- Enabling community access to an education facility with no access.
- Incorporate multi-use into a single-code facility.
- Cover an outdoor court.
- Convert an existing building / warehouse.
- New build in partnership with an education or other facility.
- Extend or improve an existing facility with new community courts.
- A new build.

Recommended strategic approach for future provision:

- Grow authentic relationships and work in partnership with mana whenua.
- Using what we already have.
- Shifting the demand: right size, right location and right mix.
- Sustainable development: access other facilities, extend life of an existing facility, repurpose or convert a building or build new if there is no other solution.
- Participant-centred approach.
- Co-design with key user groups and stakeholders.

AUCKLAND COUNCIL COMMUNITY FACILITIES NETWORK PLAN 2015

The purpose of the network plan is to guide Auckland Council's investment in the provision of community facilities for the next 10 to 20 years. The plan sets out the approach for all community facilities based on:

- Integrate and coordinate planning across all community facilities.
- Maintain, improve and optimise existing community facilities.
- Develop fit-for-purpose, integrated and connected community facilities.
- Leverage and support partnerships.

The Action Plan outlines the actions and projects that will be undertaken to achieve the vision and objectives of the Community Facilities Network Plan. The revised 2022 action plan includes the following actions for Howick:

- **Action 55: Flat Bush** - investigate options for the future provision of pools and leisure space to address population growth, demand and gap in provision. On hold until budget becomes available in LTP.

The Network Plan references the 2013 National Strategy which outlines a local demand metric of one court per 9,000 people. Auckland Council advise updated court supply and demand analysis is being undertaken to assess the direction outlined in the National Strategy and consider the impacts of growth, assess future gaps in relation to services and lifespan of existing facilities. This will consider the whole network including school provision. At the time of preparing this plan, detailed indoor court analysis was not available for the Auckland Region or specifically for Howick.

INDICATIVE ASSESSMENT OF HOWICK LB COURT PROVISION

Based on the current provision and assumptions on size and availability of courts, the table below provides an indicative assessment of indoor court provision in the Howick Local Board area against indicative demand using a variety of demand metrics.

SUPPLY	TOTAL COURTS	FTE
Public provision	13.5 courts	13.5
School provision	19 courts	4
Total supply	32.5 courts	17.5

DEMAND	2022	2052
National strategy: 1 FTE per 7,800 population	19.65	22.86
Shortfall against FTE	2.15 FTE	5.36 FTE
CFNP: 1 court per 9,000 population	17	20

Applying the 2024 National Strategy supply and demand metrics indicates Howick Local Board has an **undersupply of indoor sport and recreation courts**.

Applying the old metric of 1 court per 9,000 people, there are sufficient courts located in Howick Local Board, but this does not consider the level of community access (as recognised by the 2024 National Strategy).

Geographically, all public court provision is located in the north of Howick Local Board. While there is school provision in the south of the local board, a spatial assessment indicates there may be a spatial gap in the southern area. This could be filled by the proposed Flat Bush Leisure Centre. However, detailed catchment and capacity analysis taking into account current and neighbouring court facilities is important to confirm the best approach.

Work is being undertaken to assess court provision across Auckland to determine the areas with most pressing needs - this analysis was not available to incorporate into this plan. It is important to acknowledge the entire Auckland Region has a shortfall of indoor courts and there is limited visibility on where the greatest priorities are.

HOWICK LEISURE CENTRE

- The Howick Leisure Centre comprises one indoor court, recreation room, fitness gym and group fitness space.
- The indoor court is used to deliver a variety of recreation programmes including gymnastics, basketball, volleyball and badminton and offers drop-in times for casual court use. Pickleball is also run on Sunday evenings from 5:15-8:15pm.
- Based on the feedback, the indoor court is under demand pressure.
- The padded recreation room is well used by a variety of martial art codes.
- The fitness centre has over 400 members which has reached up to 650 members. There is strong competition from other fitness centres in the area.
- The leisure centre has the largest school holiday programme across Auckland Council's network of leisure centres.
- Built in 1976, the centre is 48 years old and some aspects of the building have reached the end of useful life. The roof was replaced which has addressed the most pressing condition issue. Further work is required on the building cladding.

PAKURANGA LEISURE CENTRE

- The centre consists of one indoor court and function space with kitchen.
- The centre is operated as a community facility for hire managed by Howick Leisure Centre. Access cards are used for remove access.
- The facility is well used by a number of hire groups across a range of cultural and sport groups including dodgeball, volleyball, badminton and dance.
- Selected programmes are delivered from the centre including basketball, special needs and school holidays.
- Flooding was the most significant building issue but recent works have hopefully addressed this issue.

SCHOOL PROVISION

- 12 of the 13 schools report some level of community use of their indoor courts. Some of this relates to school sport such as College Sport inter-school basketball leagues.
- There is no community access to the 3 indoor courts at St Kentigern College which presents an opportunity to increase court provision. Location on the school ground may be the primary school concern.

PAKURANGA RUGBY / LLOYD ELSMORE PARK COURT DEVELOPMENT

- Pakuranga Rugby are proposing an expansion of the Lloyd Elsmore Park Badminton facility to include two full-sized basketball/netball courts and an additional 5 badminton courts. Also included are an accommodation facility and fitness centre.
- The project is currently in the design and consent stage and the indicative cost is \$9.8 million.

PICKLEBALL

Identified scheduled pickleball is held at the following times across Howick:

- Action Indoor Sports Pakuranga – Sundays from 1:00 – 4:00pm
- Howick Leisure Centre – Sundays from 5:15 - 8:15pm

Other cited features, trends and opportunities include:

- Large growth being experienced,
- Participants invariably play across numerous sites,
- Opportunities exist for indoor, outdoor and covered court use,
- Numerous tennis clubs and facility operators have expressed their interest in developing pickleball courts and/or facilitating use.

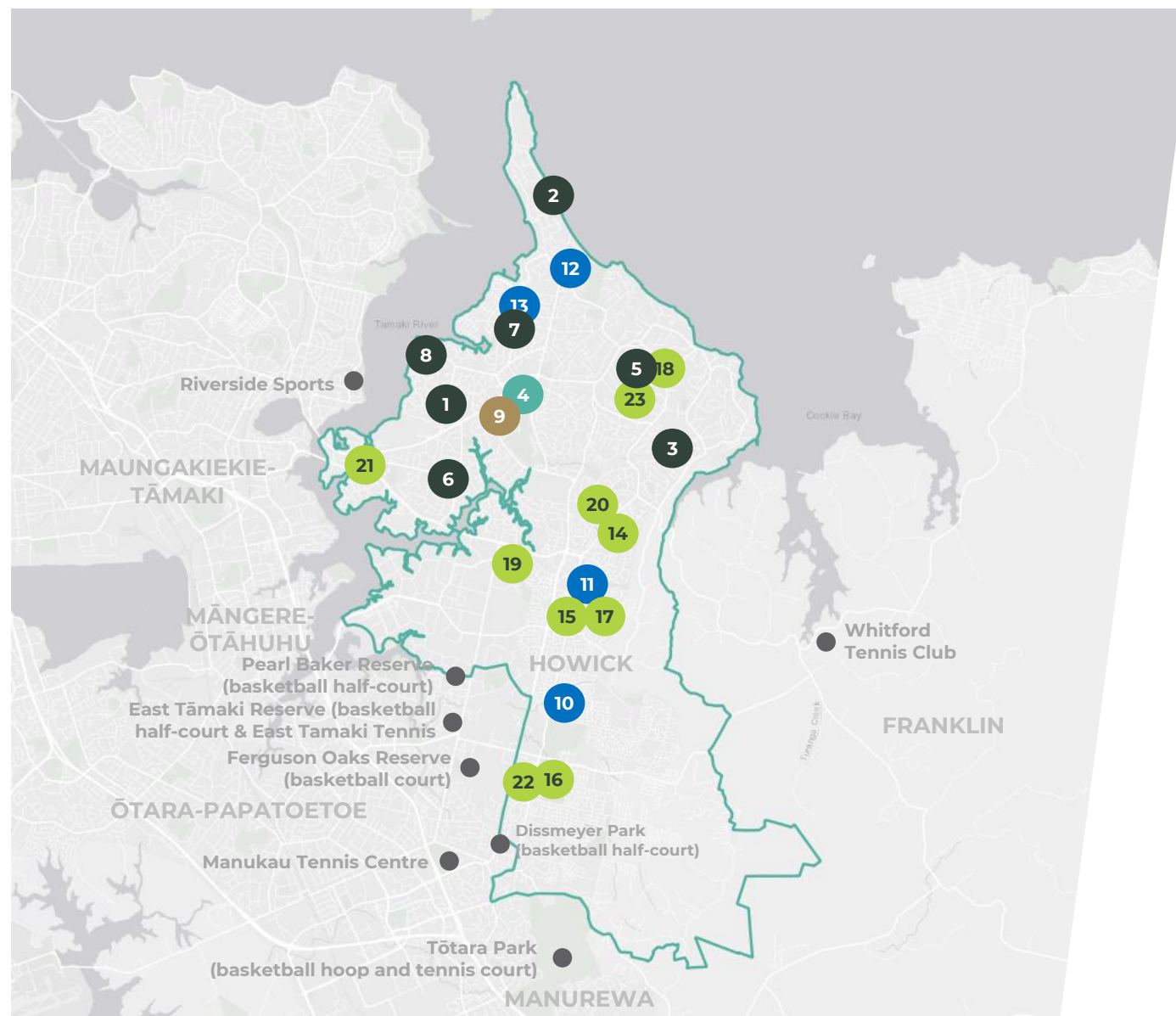
CODE/GROUP OVERVIEW

BASKETBALL				
Club/Group Name	Location/ Area	Clubrooms	Membership	Trend
Underdog Basketball	Across Howick Local Board area	-	170 (S 50, J 120)	↑
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participation in basketball has been growing due to its higher profile in recent years. Apart from general growth the main changes reported were more young adults and younger people and more from different cultures and ethnic backgrounds. Underdog reported use across school gyms in general. No reporting clubs/groups had clubroom facilities. Weekly activity year-round was weekday-focused with total average weekly activity levels use at 10hrs a week. Use courts at a variety of venues (mostly schools). 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The club's reported facilities were mostly meeting their needs. 			
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See National Strategy above 			
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None were reported as they don't own the facilities 			

BADMINTON				
Club/Group Name	Location/ Area	Clubrooms	Membership	Trend
Non responding				
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is generally noted participation in badminton is stable to growing. There is strong interest from the Asian population. There are three community-owned badminton facilities in Howick Local Board providing 38 badminton courts. 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not identified as not clubs responding. 			
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Auckland Indoor Court Plan (2019) above. 			
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed development at Lloyd Elsmore Park court with an additional 5 badminton courts. 			

VOLLEYBALL				
Club/Group Name	Location/ Area	Clubrooms	Membership	Trend
East Volleyball Club	Across Howick Local Board area	-	55 (S 25, J 30)	↑
Unite Volleyball Club	Across Howick Local Board area	-	33 (J 33)	↑
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General growth with more young adults and younger people and from different cultures and ethnic backgrounds. East Volleyball reported its main facility was Howick College. Unite Volleyball reported use of Botany College and Sancta Maria College. Weekly activity year-round was weekday-focused with total average weekly activity levels use 6-8 hrs for volleyball. Use courts at a variety of venues (mostly schools). 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clubs reported more facilities/venues, with East Volleyball referring to more multi-court facilities. 			
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See National Strategy above 			
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None were reported as they don't own the facilities 			

OUTDOOR/COVERED COURTS



Key

1. Amy Dunn Courts
2. Bucklands Beach Tennis Club
3. Cockle Bay Tennis Club
4. Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre
5. Howick Tennis Club
6. Koru Tennis Club
7. Pakuranga Tennis Club
8. Sunnyhills Tennis Club
9. Lloyd Elsmore Park – volleyball courts
10. Baverstock Oaks Primary
11. Botany Downs College
12. Macleans College
13. Pakuranga College
14. Annalong Park
15. Armoy Park (Amylynn Place Reserve)
16. Barry Curtis Park
17. Dairyland Park
18. Howick Domain
19. Huntington Park
20. Millhouse Reserve
21. Pakuranga Community Centre
22. Robin Brooke Park
23. Blundell Park

- Tennis Courts
- Netball Courts
- School Owned or Managed Courts
(with formalised community use) – multi-marked courts
- Basketball Courts
- Volleyball Courts

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	COURT #	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Amy Dunn Courts (57 Glenmore Rd, Sunnyhills)	1	Tennis Courts	2	2x asphalt fenced public courts, by Girl Guides Hall	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Buckland's Beach Tennis Club (Jern Place, Rogers Park, Bucklands Beach)	2	Tennis Courts	6	6x artificial courts with lights and clubrooms in Rogers Park	Auckland Council	Buckland & Eastern Beaches Tennis Club	Buckland & Eastern Beaches Tennis Club	31/03/2034
Cockle Bay Tennis Club (Meadowland Park - 41 Meadowland Drive, Somerville)	3	Tennis Courts	8	8 artificial grass courts and clubrooms at Meadowlands Sports Centre (along with Pro Shop and Howick Squash)	Auckland Council	Meadowlands MultiSports Trust	Cockle Bay Tennis Club	17/03/2039
Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre (451 Pakuranga Rd & Sir Lloyd Drive, Pakuranga)	4	Netball Courts	22	22x outdoor courts comprising 4x Rebound Ace, 12x Acrylic, 6x Asphalt all with lighting. Pavilion building and grandstand.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council (courts)	Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre	31/05/2038
Howick Tennis Club (Howick Domain - Cnr Wellington & Howe St, Howick)	5	Tennis Courts	8	6x astroturf and 2x asphalt courts (which are available to the public) with lights and clubrooms	Auckland Council	Howick Tennis Club/ Auckland Council	Howick Tennis Club	31/08/2021
Koru Tennis Club (114 Gossamer Drive, Pakuranga Heights)	6	Tennis Courts	6	6x artificial courts with lights and clubrooms	Auckland Council	Koru Tennis Club	Koru Tennis Club	31/10/2037
Pakuranga Tennis Club (101 Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	7	Tennis Courts	6	6x astroturf courts with lights and clubrooms	Tūpuna Maunga Authority	Pakuranga Tennis Club	Pakuranga Tennis Club	-
Sunnyhills Tennis Club (6 Oleander Point, Farm Cove)	8	Tennis Courts	6	6x astroturf, without lights	Sunnyhills Tennis Club	Sunnyhills Tennis Club	Sunnyhills Tennis Club	N/A
Lloyd Elsmore Park (451 Pakuranga Rd & Sir Lloyd Drive, Pakuranga)	9	Volleyball Courts	2	2x sand volleyball courts located adjacent to the croquet club.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
SCHOOL FACILITIES								
Baverstock Oaks Primary (21 Baverstock Rd, Flat Bush)	10	Covered courts	2	Covered asphalt courts marked for 2x netball, 2x basketball, 3x tennis. <i>Community use - satellite netball facility for Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre.</i>	MOE	MOE	Baverstock Oaks Primary	N/A
Botany Downs College - Botany (575 Chapel Rd, East Tāmaki)	11	Covered Courts	4	Covered courts comprising multisport surface marked for (i) 2x plexipave netball, basketball, volleyball and tennis courts and (ii) 2x astroturf tennis courts and half hockey. <i>Some community use at times – local tennis club in wet weather, Fencibles football for futsal, and netball and touch teams.</i>	MOE	MOE	Botany Downs College – Botany Campus	N/A

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Bucklands Beach Intermediate (247 Buckland Beach Rd, Bucklands Beach)		Covered & Outdoor Courts	6	Two multi-sport court areas. Covered courts with 2x netball courts, 1x basketball court, 3x tennis. Multi-sport turf, with 4x tennis courts, 2x basketball courts, and hockey goals.	MOE	MOE	Bucklands Beach Intermediate	N/A
Bucklands Beach Primary (17 Clovelly St, Bucklands Beach)		Outdoor court	1	Multisport surface marked for 1x netball and used for multiple other sports and training.	MOE	MOE	Bucklands Beach Primary	N/A
Cockle Bay Primary (10 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)		Covered & Outdoor Courts	2	A covered multi-sport surface area for 1x netball (and general use) and 2 asphalt areas with 1x basketball court and 1x netball court.	MOE	MOE	Cockle Bay Primary	N/A
Edgewater College (32 Edgewater Drive Pakuranga)		Outdoor Courts	7	Asphalt surface marked for 3x netball and 1x basketball court. Multisport surface marked 4x tennis courts, 2x netball, 1x basketball and 1x hockey.	MOE	MOE	Edgewater College	N/A
Elim Christian College Golflands Campus (Junior) (*94 Golfland Drive, Golflands)		Outdoor Courts	4	Separate Senior & Middle/junior campuses. Middle/Junior campus* has 2x basketball/netball/ futsal courts marked on a large multi-use artificial football/hockey field. 2 netball courts marked on artificial surface/ playground areas inside school buildings. <i>No community use</i>	Elim Christian Centre	Elim Christian Centre	Elim Christian College	N/A
Farm Cove Intermediate (14-16 Butley Drive, Farm Cove)		Covered & Outdoor Courts	3	1x covered artificial court area marked for 1x basketball and general activity, and 2x outdoor asphalt netball courts.	MOE	MOE	Farm Cove Intermediate	N/A
Howick College (25 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)		Outdoor courts	6	Multi-sport surface marked for 6x netball courts and 8x tennis courts, and also used for futsal/football. <i>No community use</i>	MOE	MOE	Howick College	N/A
Howick Intermediate (15 Botany Rd, Howick)		Covered & Outdoor Courts	3	1x covered artificial court and 2x asphalt courts (all marked for netball and basketball), with hockey goals.	MOE	MOE	Howick Intermediate	N/A
Howick Primary (40 Willoughby Avenue, Howick)		Outdoor courts	2	Artificial surface in 2x junior courts marked as 1x netball and 1x basketball	MOE	MOE	Howick Primary	N/A
Macleans College (2 Macleans Rd, Eastern Beach)	12	Outdoor courts	2	Multi-sport surface marked for 2x netball courts and 4x tennis courts (floodlit) with 1x separate asphalt basketball/netball court. Current plans for cover over artificial court surface area and indoor cricket nets. <i>Some community use at times – basketball</i>	MOE	MOE	Macleans College	N/A
Mission Heights Junior College (103 Jeffs Road, Flat Bush)		Covered Courts	2	Covered courts with 1x basketball and 1x netball court and 2x basketball half courts	MOE	MOE	Mission Heights College	N/A
Ormiston Senior & Junior Colleges (275 Ormiston Road, East Tāmaki)		Outdoor courts	6	New school precinct with some facilities still in-development/proposed. Adjacent Senior College, Junior College & Primary School.	MOE	MOE	Ormiston Colleges	N/A

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				3x court areas with markings for: (i) Artificial: 5x tennis, 4x netball & Hockey; (ii) Artificial: 3x netball, 1x hockey & 3 multi-hoop basketball (iii) Asphalt 3x netball, basketball & tennis				
Mellons Bay Primary (140 Mellons Bay Rd, Mellons Bay)		Covered Courts	2	Covered area marked for 2 courts (1x netball, 1x basketball with multiple hoops)	MOE	MOE	Mellons Bay Primary	N/A
Mission Heights Primary (103 Jeffs Rd, Flat Bush)		Outdoor courts	2	Asphalt courts marked for 1x netball and 1x basketball.	MOE	MOE	Mission Heights Junior College	N/A
Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary (14 Oakridge Way, Howick)		Covered & Outdoor courts	2	1 covered court and 1x asphalt junior netball court.	MOE	MOE	Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary	N/A
Pakuranga College (Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	13	Outdoor courts	5	Multisport surface with lights marked for 4x netball, 5x tennis courts and with hockey goals. Also a separate 1x asphalt basketball court <i>Some community use of courts – mainly Howick Hockey Club (turf)</i>	MOE	MOE	Pakuranga College	N/A
Pakuranga Heights Primary (77 Udys Rd, Pakuranga)		Covered & Outdoor courts	4	Covered courts with 2 courts plus two outdoor netball courts.	MOE	MOE	Pakuranga Heights Primary	N/A
Pakuranga Intermediate (43/49 Reeves Rd, Pakuranga)		Outdoor courts	4	4x asphalt courts marked for netball, 1x basketball and 2x tennis (old markings)	MOE	MOE	Pakuranga Intermediate	N/A
Pigeon Mountain Primary (22 Wells Rd, Bucklands Beach)		Covered & Outdoor courts	3	Covered courts with 2x netball courts. Outdoor multi-sport marked with 3x junior tennis courts, and outdoor asphalt 1x basketball court.	MOE	MOE	Pigeon Mountain Primary	N/A
Riverhills Primary (13 Waikaremoana Place, Pakuranga Heights)		Outdoor courts	3	Multisport surface marked for 2x junior netball/basketball courts and 1x asphalt netball court.	MOE	MOE	Riverhills Primary	N/A
Sancta Maria Catholic College (19 Te Irirangi Drive, Flat Bush)		Outdoor courts	6	Two multi-sport surface areas with (i) 4x netball (2 with basketball hoops) 5x tennis courts and practice hockey goals and (ii) 2x netball and 2x tennis courts. <i>No community use of courts</i>	MOE	MOE	Sancta Maria Catholic College	N/A
Somerville Intermediate (Somerville Rd, Somerville)		Outdoor courts	7	A multisport surface marked for 5x netball, 5x tennis, 2x futsal courts and 1x hockey field (and small athletic track) and 2x asphalt courts marked for 2x netball, basketball and 3x tennis.	MOE	MOE	Somerville Intermediate	N/A
St Kentigern College (130 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga)		Covered & Outdoor courts	6+	Two multi-sport surface areas with one area 8x tennis courts in 2 sets, one set marked for 3x netball, (all courts with lights and 1 under	MOE	MOE	St Kentigerns College	N/A

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				cover) and the other area being a hockey turf also marked with 6x tennis courts. <i>Some community use subject to event type and benefits (event-based use)</i>				
Sunnyhills Primary (17 The Crest, Sunnyhills)		Outdoor courts	2	2x asphalt junior netball/basketball courts	MOE	MOE	Sunnyhills Primary	N/A
Wakaaranga Primary (18 Butley Drive, Farm Cove)		Covered & Outdoor Courts	4	Covered court with 2 courts. Multisport surface marked for 2x netball and 4x junior tennis (not full sized).	MOE	MOE	Wakaaranga Primary	N/A
BASKETBALL COURTS								
Annalong Park (13R Annalong Road, Dannemora)	14	Basketball Court	1	1x basketball halfcourt (located in the middle of the park)	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Armoy Park (Amylynn Place Reserve) (2R Carlingford Drive, East Tamaki)	15	Basketball Hoop	1	Basketball hoop incorporated as part of the play space.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Barry Curtis Park (Flat Bush)	16	Basketball Court	2	1x basketball court at the southern end adjacent to carpark 1x basketball court at the northern end adjacent to the skatepark	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Dairyland Park (17R Dairyland Drive, East Tamaki Heights)	17	Basketball Hoop	1	Basketball hoop incorporated as part of the play space.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Howick Domain (90R Wellington Street, Howick)	18	Basketball Court	1	1x basketball halfcourt (adjacent to the Howick Pistol Club)	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Huntington Park (30R Huntington Park Drive, Huntington Park)	19	Basketball Court	1	1x basketball halfcourt	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Millhouse Reserve (67R Millhouse Drive, Northpark)	20	Basketball Court	1	1x basketball halfcourt	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Pakuranga Community Centre (13R Reeves Road, Pakuranga)	21	Basketball Hoop	1	1x basketball hoop adjacent to the Pakuranga Community Centre	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Robin Brooke Park (23 Michael Jones Drive, Flat Bush, Auckland 2019)	22	Basketball Court	1	1x basketball halfcourt	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Blundell Park (Elliot Street, Howick)	23	Basketball Court & Netball Hoop	1	1x basketball halfcourt with netball hoop	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

SCHOOL INSIGHT

- There is limited formalised community use (non-school teams) of outdoor courts by traditional court users. Most formal use cited was for hockey (multi-marked courts) and sports field codes (need for all-weather surfaces).
- Access to schools for casual/social use remains critical for general play and physical activity. However, there is an increasing trend across schools to close gates outside of school hours (over 50% of responding schools indicated their gates were closed outside of school hours).

Note: there are likely to be other school courts which provide public access (but did not respond to engagement approaches).

HOWICK PAKURANGA NETBALL CENTRE

- The 22 courts at Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre are owned by Auckland Council, while the pavilion is owned by the Centre under a ground lease from Auckland Council.
- Six courts are in a poor condition and another 2 courts have (likely) subsidence cracking issues. The 8 courts are close to unplayable and require urgent work.
- A further 6 courts were sealed with acrylic surface as a temporary fix to address surface slipperiness. These 6 courts will need work in the near future to provide a long-term solution.
- In 2023 Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre received part-funding for a court improvement feasibility study. The study is considering options for the identified court issues alongside considering provision of covered courts and rubberised court surface. The feasibility study is due to be completed in 2024.
- 3-4 covered courts are being considered. The primary driver is to improve player experience particularly for junior players and help alleviate the demand for indoor court provision. Covered courts may provide opportunities for other codes such as basketball, pickleball, turbo-touch or futsal to utilise the courts.
- Auckland Council have scheduled renewal funding to address the most urgent court issues in 2024/25 and 2025/26.
- Additional funding may be required to implement other aspects of the feasibility study.

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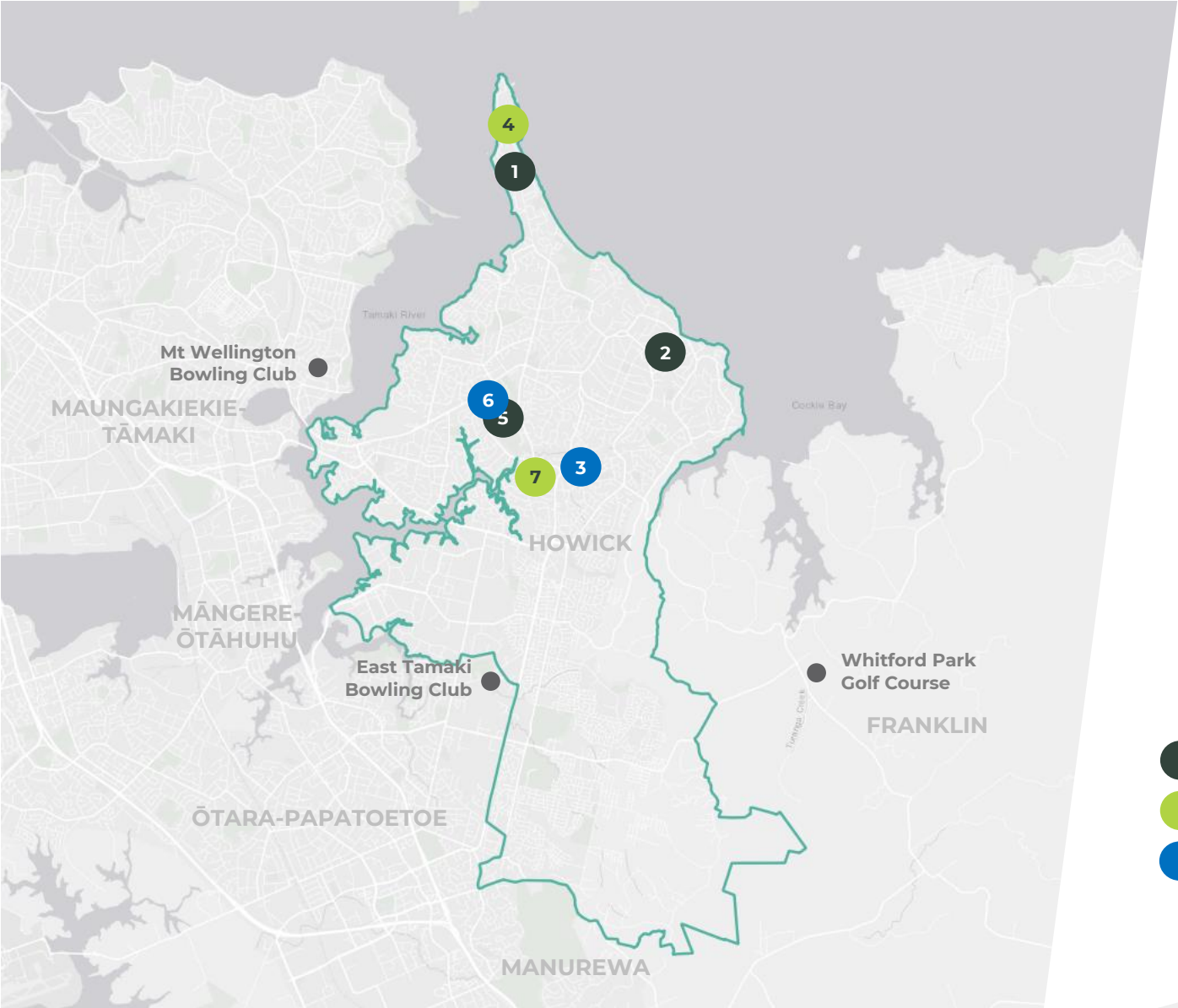
TENNIS				
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Buckland & Eastern Beaches Tennis Club	Rogers Park, Jern Place, Bucklands Beach	✓	575 (S 275, J 300)	↑
Cockle Bay Tennis Club	41R Meadowlands Drive, Howick	✓	320 (S 168, J 168)	↔
Howick Tennis Club	Howick Domain	✓		
Koru Tennis Club	114 Gossamer Drive, Pakuranga Heights	✓		
Pakuranga Tennis Club	101 Pigeon Mountain Road, Half Moon Bay	✓	420 (S 200, J 220)	↑
Sunnyhills Tennis Club	6 Oleander Point, Farm Cove	✓	295 (S 119, J 176)	↑
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memberships had been growing in most areas pre-COVID but growth was hampered by impacts. Family memberships remain core, but increasing single adults reported by Buckland & Eastern Beaches. All reporting clubs had standalone clubroom facilities, and all (apart from Pakuranga) reported community use of these. Cockle Bay reported using the Botany College covered courts as a supplementary facility site. The clubs indicated they were open to considering facility partnership options (Cockle Bay already shares clubroom with Howick Squash and Pakuranga has a development proposal to relocate to Lloyd Elsmore Hub). Average weekly activity levels were higher in summer for all clubs (over 20hrs/week) and lower but steady winter use. 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most reporting clubs indicated their court and clubroom facilities were meeting needs, although they also indicated improvements to facilities. Across the clubs there were development interests in having clubroom upgrades, court resurfacing, Pickleball options and some indoor court options. 			

TENNIS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bucklands Beach and Cockle Bay reported they would like greater court capacity for play, training and develop more Pickleball courts. Pakuranga Tennis Club – lease constraints have resulted in tenure being unsecure and the need to relocate. Working on Lloyd Elsmore Park hub project. Sunnyhills reported need to enhance security locks and provide electronic access to members.
Strategic Context	<p>Tennis Auckland is currently reviewing the Auckland Region Tennis Facilities Plan. It is recognised there are significant financial challenges to maintaining and enhancing the current tennis network and there is a lack of an integrated funding plan for major projects. The intention of the review is to produce a prioritised plan for major tennis facility development projects, including large-scale projects and smaller renewal/upgrade projects. One outcome is looking for potential synergies/efficiencies across the network, such as bulk procurement for lighting or fencing projects. The review is ongoing and expected to be produced in late 2024.</p> <p>Initial scoping of projects identify the follow projects in Howick:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pakuranga – new facility at Lloyd Elsmore Park. Howick – replacing floodlights, fence and upgrade building interior. Koru – resurface astro-turf courts, review drainage and fencing. Development of 2 new courts with court canopy. <p>Tennis New Zealand National Facilities Guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tennis NZ supports the provision of covered outdoor courts where the establishment of an indoor court is cost prohibitive, or suitable land is unavailable. Covered courts provide shade and protection from inclement weather and extend the use of the facility. Minimum guidelines for sub-regional facilities include 8 courts (6 ITF approved dimensions and hardcourts), 75% of courts floodlit (350 lux), every city to have two fit-for-purpose covered or indoor courts accessible to the tennis community for year-round athlete development, and courts in good state of repair.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buckland & Eastern Beaches Tennis Club reported resurfacing of 3 out its 6 courts and some clubroom upgrades planned for 2024. Pakuranga Tennis Club - 6 new courts at Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub project (including shared clubrooms).

NETBALL				
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/AREA	CLUBROOMS	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre	Lloyd Elsmore Park, 451 Pakuranga Road, Highland Park	✓	1,974 (S, 490/J, 1484) (excl., rec)	↑
Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre -Baverstock Satellite	Baverstock Oaks School, 21 Baverstock Road, Flat Bush	-	50 (J, 50)	↑
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previously stable membership, in recovery post-COVID. Young participants predominant. Walking netball is a new initiative but has been well received by older players. Strong interest in twilight activity (particularly for college-age students – both male and female). Individual clubs rarely have any club or training facilities of their own. Most activity is based at Netball Centre. At Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre, the majority of courts (18) are asphalt. 8 courts are in poor condition and close to unplayable. Many schools have artificial multisport surfaces which are often marked for netball. Largely used for school team training. The Baverstock Oaks School Satellite has two covered asphalt courts with the only other covered options being in gymnasiums (mostly schools – see 'Indoor Court Facilities'). 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Netball Centre advise current court capacity is sufficient, but that court quality is impacting capacity and demand. Howick has 8 courts at Lloyd Elsmore courts that are close to unplayable. Quality issues include cracks in asphalt courts, sub-surface movement, slippery surface on some acrylic courts, mildew build-up and shading on some courts, sewer overflows during heavy rains, and the pavilion has water tightness issues. 			
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Regional Netball Facility Plan (2024) outlines the following for Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Court capacity is sufficient, but court quality is a significant issue. Supply and demand modelling indicates the Centre has sufficient capacity across the three sites used. If participation grows significantly, there may be a need for additional future capacity. This may be achieved through increased access to satellite sites. The most significant issues are the quality and safety of current courts. 8 courts are identified close to unplayable and 6 courts 			

NETBALL	
	<p>need attention in the near future. A feasibility study is underway to determine the most feasible response.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Plan identifies all junior players are playing outside and the goal is to move these participants indoor or under cover. A feasibility study is investigating the feasibility of covered courts.
Proposed Developments	<p>The Auckland Regional Netball Facility Plan (2024):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Action 3.1 (high priority): Complete the court improvement feasibility study to determine the appropriate response to address the deteriorating netball courts and investigate viability of covered courts and surface improvements to provide quality playing experiences. Advocate to Auckland Council for rapid renewal of 8 courts that are close to unplayable.</i> <i>Action 4.3: (ongoing priority): Advocate to Auckland Council to ensure sufficient maintenance and renewal funding is allocated to keep Council owned netball courts in safe, playable and fit-for-purpose condition.</i>

BOWLING GREENS, CROQUET AND GOLF



Key

- 1. Bucklands Beach Bowling Club
- 2. Howick Bowling Club
- 3. Howick Croquet Club
- 4. Howick Golf Club
- 5. Pakuranga Bowling Club
- 6. Pakuranga Croquet Club
- 7. Pakuranga Golf Club

- Bowling Greens
- Golf Courses
- Croquet Lawns

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	#	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Bucklands Beach Bowling Club (21 Morrow Av, Bucklands Beach)	1	Bowling Greens & Clubrooms	1	1x artificial green (down from 2) Bowling club clubrooms with kitchen, bar, and social spaces	Auckland Council	Bucklands Beach Bowling Club	Bucklands Beach Bowling Club	31/03/2014
Howick Bowling Club (33 Selwyn Rd, Howick)	2	Bowling Greens & Clubrooms	7	5x Greens (3x natural and 2x artificial), with advanced plans for covering 1 green. Bowling club clubrooms with kitchen, bar, and social spaces	Auckland Council	Howick Bowling Club	Howick Bowling Club	30/04/2035
Howick Croquet Club (70-72 Millhouse Dr, Northpark) In Millhouse Reserve	3	Croquet Lawns & Clubrooms	4	4x croquet lawns Clubrooms with kitchen and social spaces	Auckland Council	Howick Croquet Club	Howick Croquet Club	30/04/2031
Howick Golf Club (32 Musick Point Rd, Bucklands Beach)	4	Golf Course & Clubrooms	1	18-hole course Large clubrooms with kitchen and bar facilities available for functions	Howick Golf Club	Howick Golf Club	Howick Golf Club	N/A
Pakuranga Bowling Club (451 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga) In Lloyd Elsmore Park	5	Bowling Greens & Clubrooms	3	1x grass and 2x artificial greens being utilised Bowling club clubrooms with kitchen, bar, and social spaces.	Auckland Council	Pakuranga Bowling Club	Pakuranga Bowling Club	28/02/2020
Pakuranga Croquet Club (Sir Lloyd Drive, Pakuranga Heights) In Lloyd Elsmore Park	6	Croquet Lawns & Clubrooms	4	4x croquet lawns Clubrooms with kitchen and social spaces	Auckland Council	Pakuranga Croquet Club	Pakuranga Croquet Club	28/02/2039
Pakuranga Golf Club (199 Botany Rd, Golflands)	7	Golf Course & Clubrooms	1	18-hole course and driving range Large clubrooms with enhanced kitchen and bar facilities also operating as a function centre	Pakuranga Golf Club	Pakuranga Golf Club	Pakuranga Golf Club	N/A

Note 1: identified indoor bowls facilities are included in the 'Other Indoor Facilities' section.

Note 2: excludes bowling greens located at retirement homes/villages

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

DISC GOLF

A proposal has been submitted to develop a 9-hole disc golf course at Llyod Elsmore Park (adjacent to marble run and aquatic centre).

The closest disc golf courses to Howick are One Tree Hill and Monte Cecilia Park (object courses, not fixed basketed courses). Other current courses across Auckland include Waitawa Regional Park, Henderson Park, Onetangi Sports Park (Waiheke), Bethells Beach and Woodhill Forest.

The indicative cost for developing the course is circa \$18,000 (excl. GST) and consent circa \$30,000-40,000.

While there is a gap in provision, it is recommended that pop-up events are utilised to gain profile and understanding of potential support and use. Any prospective development should consider the wider park setting (park vision, objectives, use profile, land use and other prospective developments).

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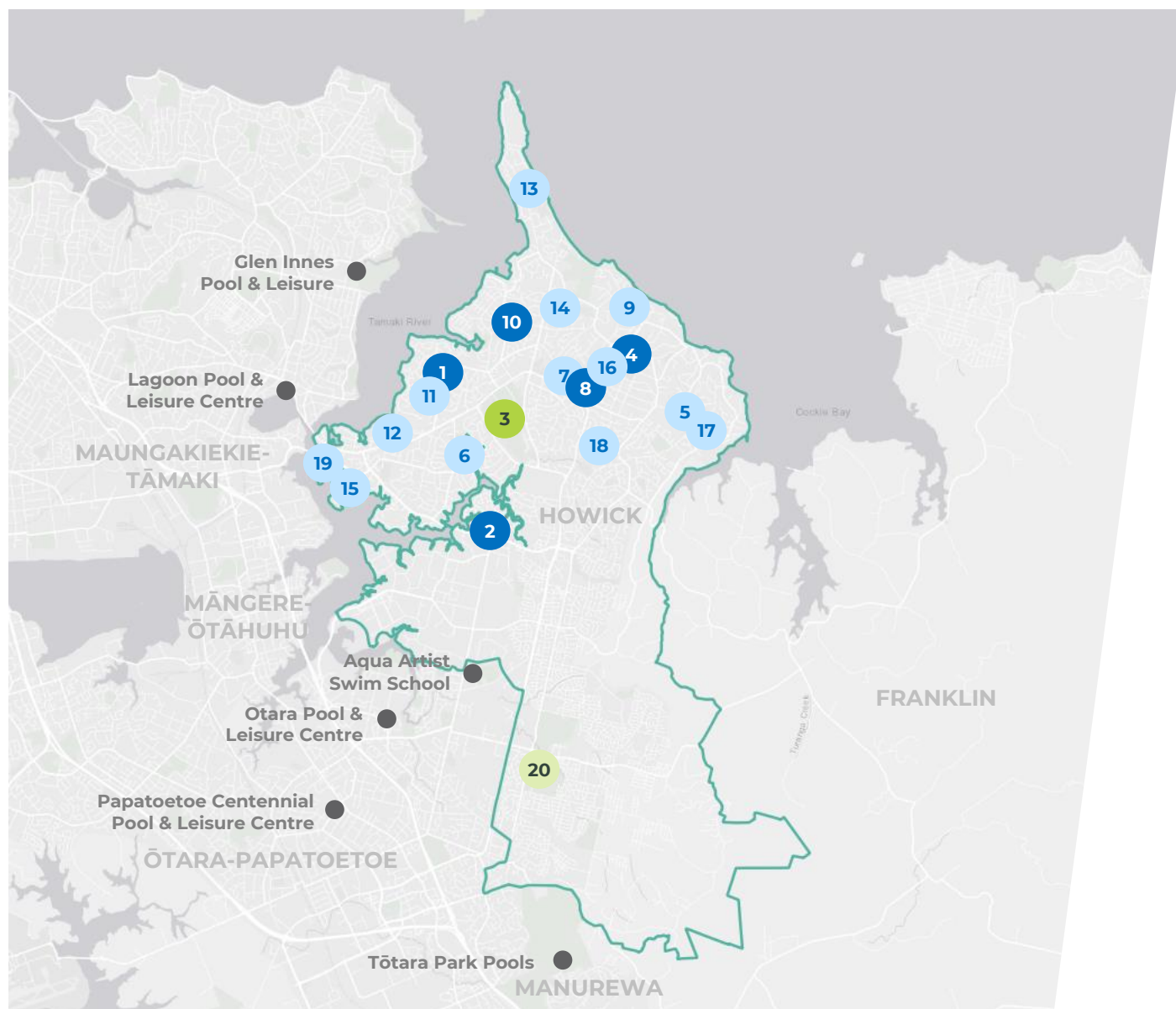
BOWLS		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Bucklands Beach Bowling Club	Morrow Avenue Reserve	✓
Howick Bowling Club	Nixon Park	✓
Pakuranga Bowling Club	Lloyd Elsmore Park	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowls membership across Auckland shows modest growth in recent for full playing members (8% increase from 2021-23) with more pronounced growth for casual playing members (76% increase from 2021-23). Bucklands Beach Bowling Club – full playing numbers have remained stable for the last 7-years (40 members) but decreased by 45% since 2010. In the early 2010's the club had high levels of casual players (187 in 2010). While this dropped completely, the advent of twilight/business house activity has increased activity to 60 players in 2023. Howick Bowling Club – is one of the largest clubs in Auckland (153 full playing – highest in Auckland boundary). There has been moderate decline in fully playing members since 2016. The club attracts around 3,000 casual players and 54 twilight/business house players. There is an increasing proportion of female players evident. Pakuranga Bowling Club – full playing membership has been stable over the last 6-years, but has decreased noticeably since the early 2010's. The proportion of female players has dropped significantly since 2010. A large increase in casual players is evident with 475 reported in 2023 and 218 involved in twilight/business house activity. The LEP feasibility study cites membership has been impacted by the advent of lifestyle retirement villages (with artificial greens), with Pakuranga Park Village located 500m away. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pakuranga Bowling Club – remedial works are required with the clubroom building due to moisture ingress and subsequent damage. Green renewals are required. Howick Bowling Club – cover one artificial green to provide certainty of use year-round. 	
Strategic Context	A Discussion Document on Covered Greens was prepared by Bowls Auckland (with support from the Rawhiti Fund and Deed). The document states the following:	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Creating a Successful and Sustainable Club Network' – What we would like to see is a greater number of covered greens across Auckland. It is proposed that these are located at sub-regional venues. Sub-Regional East – the document recommends a covered green at Howick Bowling Club (council-owned land). <p>Outside of Glen Eden Bowling Club, the initial network of covered greens will be fully established in 2024 providing wide geographic spread across Bowls Auckland's boundary area.</p> <p>It is further noted that room exists for flexibility in the number of covered greens and their location – where a few 'special cases' are promoted by other clubs and agreed by Bowls Auckland. Additional covered greens are welcomed but their viability (noting diminishing funds based on investment placed into both Howick, Remuera, and Papatoetoe), ongoing sustainability and value to bowls need to be robustly analysed.</p> <p>The Bowls New Zealand Facilities Plan – 2020 to 2030 outlines the following for community club facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The need to realise a more diverse use of facilities i.e. 'community facilities first and bowling facilities second'. The need to review the attractiveness of their facility to new customers (i.e. see-through fences, all-year-round greens, signage, and accessibility) Artificial greens represent 23% of bowling surfaces nationally (which has increased since the report was published). These have occurred due to a lack of suitably skilled greenkeepers to maintain the existing surface to acceptable standards, cost of maintaining the natural greens and accommodating for casual participants.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Bowling Club – securing final funding and awaiting building consent to install a cover over an artificial green. Lloyd Elsmore Park – the following phases of work are proposed as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub (relating to bowls): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Repurposing existing bowling greens to tennis courts, installing a canopy roof with lighting on one artificial and converting an artificial green to a natural green. Establish temporary clubrooms/facilities while clubroom developments occur. Remodelling the existing bowls clubroom building.

CROQUET		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Howick Croquet Club	Millhouse Reserve	✓
Pakuranga Croquet Club	Llyod Elsmore Park	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	Pakuranga Croquet Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership has been static in size (currently 58 members) and composition and with a trend of increasing younger members (although all remain older than 18). • Year-round activity from Mon-Sun with use level average of around 12 hours/week (summer) and 9 hours/week (winter) • Open to facility partnering. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pakuranga Croquet Club - desired improvements were new irrigation, drainage and levelling. Roof repairs have been recently completed. 	
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pakuranga Croquet Club – plans for new irrigation, drainage and levelling. 	

AQUATIC



Key

Aquatic Facilities

1. Farm Cove Swim School
2. Fulton Swim School
3. Lloyd Elsmore Park Pool & Leisure Centre
4. Swimgym
5. Cockle Bay Primary School
6. Elm Park Primary School
7. Howick Primary School
8. Howick Intermediate School
9. Mellons Bay Primary School
10. Pakuranga College School
11. Sunnyhills Primary School
12. St Kentigern College
13. Buckland Beach Primary School
14. Macleans Primary School
15. Anchorage Park School
16. Owairoa Primary School
17. Shelly Park School
18. Botany Downs School
19. Riverina School
20. Planned Flat Bush Aquatic & Leisure Centre (on hold)

- Public aquatic centre
- School with known community use
- School with no known community use
- Public aquatic centre - planned

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Farm Cove Swim School (5 Paykel Avenue, Farm Cove)	1	Learn-to-Swim	Home based swim school: indoor teaching pool 1 lane x 9m	Private	Private	Farm Cove Swim School	N/A
Fulton Swim School (12D Torrens Road Burswood)	2	Learn-to-Swim	Indoor teaching pool with depth ranging from 0.8m to 1.2m.	Private	Private	Fulton Swim School	-
Lloyd Elsmore Park Pool & Leisure Centre (Sir Lloyd Drive, Pakuranga)	3	Aquatic & Leisure Centre	Lap pool 25m x 16m (6 lanes), depth 1.0-1.8m Leisure pool 25m x 10m (4 lanes), depth 0.9-1.3m Splash pool 16m x 4m, depth zero-0.4m Teaching pool 15m x 10m, depth 0.75-0.9m Spa (20m ²), sauna and steam-room Outdoor splashpad 250m ² Fitness gym, group fitness room, changing facilities and a café.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Swimgym (Wellington Street and Fencible Drive)	4	Learn-to-Swim	Indoor teaching pool: 3 lanes x 15m	Swimgym	Swimgym	Swimgym	N/A
SCHOOL FACILITIES							
Cockle Bay Primary School (10 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)	5	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: 18m x 4-lane. Solar-heated and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Cockle Bay Primary	N/A
Elm Park Primary School (46 Gossamer Drive, Pakuranga Heights)	6	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: L shaped, shallow, solar heated. Changing facilities	MOE	MOE	Elm Park Primary	N/A
Howick Primary School (40 Willoughby Avenue, Howick)	7	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: 16m, shallow and changing facilities	MOE	MOE	Howick Primary	N/A
Howick Intermediate School (15 Botany Rd, Howick)	8	School Pool	Outdoor lap pool: 25m x 12m (6 lanes), heated and changing facilities. <i>Used by Howick Pakuranga Swim Club.</i>	MOE	MOE	Howick Intermediate	N/A
Mellons Bay Primary School (140 Mellons Bay Rd, Mellons Bay)	9	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: 14m x 4 lanes, heated, and changing facilities	MOE	MOE	Mellons Bay Primary	N/A
Pakuranga College (Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	10	School Pool	Outdoor lap pool: 33m x 16m (8 lanes), heated for use all-year and changing facilities <i>Used by Howick Pakuranga Swim Club, some school swimming pools, limited spare capacity.</i>	MOE	MOE	Pakuranga College	N/A
Sunnyhills Primary School (17 The Crest, Sunnyhills)	11	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: L-shaped, 12m, changing facilities	MOE	MOE	Sunnyhills Primary	N/A
St Kentigern College Pool (130 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga)	12	School Pool	Outdoor lap pool: 33m x 16m (8 lanes). Considered development for waterpolo. <i>No community access due to location on school.</i>	MOE	MOE	St Kentigern College	N/A

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Buckland Beach Primary (107 Clovelly Road, Bucklands Beach)	13	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: L-shaped (approx. 16m), solar heating, changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Bucklands Beach Primary	N/A
Macleans Primary School (10 Wycherley Drive, Bucklands Beach)	14	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: L-shaped (approx. 16m), changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Macleans Primary	N/A
Anchorage Park School (16 Swan Crescent, Pakuranga)	15	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: (approx.) 15m x 4-lane. Solar-heated and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Anchorage Park School	N/A
Owairoa Primary School (85 Nelson Street, Howick)	16	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: (approx.) 10m x 6m and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Owairoa Primary School	N/A
Shelly Park School (Sunnyview Avenue, Shelly Park)	17	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: (approx.) 20m x 4 lanes with small shallow area, shade sails and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Shelly Park School	N/A
Botany Downs Primary School (35 Mirrabooka Avenue, Botany Downs)	18	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: (approx.) 20m x 3 lanes and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Botany Downs Primary	N/A
Riverina School (30 Millen Avenue, Pakuranga)	19	School Pool	Outdoor teaching pool: (approx.) 10m x 5m, solar heating and changing facilities.	MOE	MOE	Riverina Scho	N/A

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

NATIONAL AQUATIC FACILITIES STRATEGY 2024

Recently updated by Sport New Zealand, the Strategy provides national direction to guide investment in the aquatic network and to transition the network to best meet community needs.

The aquatic sector is facing increasing pressures:

- Maintaining an existing and ageing network of aquatic facilities.
- Meeting demand from growing, diversifying and ageing population.
- The escalating cost of provision, both capital and operational.
- Adapting to climate change, natural hazards and improving environmental sustainability.

Aquatic Supply is measured as a Full-time Equivalent (FTE), depending on the amount of water and the level of availability for community use.

Recognises differences in outdoor pools available part year and school pools partly available for use by the community.

Aquatic Demand: benchmark of providing 27m² of aquatic space per 1,000 population is considered the minimum level of provision once the balance of provision has been achieved.

Balance of provision: providing a balance of water suited for three broad categories of use, with indicative national demand levels:

- Structured: 16% fitness/health/lane-sports/deep-water sports.
- Learning: 17% aquatic competence and development.
- Leisure: 67% leisure/play/relaxation/hydrotherapy/school recreation.

Conclusions at a national level:

- A small deficit in aquatic provision (FTE), but the Auckland Region was one of several regions with a significant provision deficit.

- An imbalance in provision with an undersupply of leisure and learning water. The Auckland FTE supply is undersupplied for leisure provision and small deficit for learning provision.
- For aquatic sports, the supply of international, national, and regional event capable facilities is met.

Provision of 50m pools

The National Strategy outlines there is often debate about the desire for a 50m pool compared with a 25m pool. It is acknowledged there is a need for 50m pools to meet the demand for national and international competitions, but there is enough facilities in New Zealand to meet this demand. To a lesser degree, high-performance training requires access to 50m pools, but they are not considered the most appropriate solution. The National Strategy specifies to meet a wide range of community aquatic demand, provision of smaller, flexible water spaces (including a 25m pool) is recommended with the following benefits:

- Reduced capital costs.
- Reduced ongoing subsidy through lower operating costs and increased income generating activities.
- Increased flexibility of water areas and temperatures to meet a wider range of free-play, leisure and programming activities.

Strategic approach for future aquatic provision:

- Grow authentic relationships and work in partnership with mana whenua.
- Using/adapting existing aquatic facilities and looking to the school and private network to assist with facility provision.
- More environmentally sustainable facility development and operations.
- A participant-centred approach, co-designing with user-groups, stakeholders and operators (including recreational and/or non-users).
- Avoiding pitfalls of underfunding, poor design concepts and incorrect specifications that leads to facilities not being functional for their intended purposes.

AUCKLAND COUNCIL COMMUNITY FACILITIES NETWORK PLAN 2015

The purpose of the network plan is to guide Auckland Council's investment in the provision of community facilities for the next 10 to 20 years. The plan sets out the approach for all community facilities based on:

- Integrate and coordinate planning across all community facilities.
- Maintain, improve and optimise existing community facilities.
- Develop fit-for-purpose, integrated and connected community facilities.
- Leverage and support partnerships.

The Action Plan outlines the actions and projects that will be undertaken to achieve the vision and objectives of the Community Facilities Network Plan. The revised 2022 action plan includes the following actions for Howick:

- **Action 55: Flat Bush** - investigate options for the future provision of pools and leisure space to address population growth, demand and gap in provision. On hold until budget becomes available in LTP.

The Network Plan references the 2013 National Strategy which outlines a local demand metric of 70 people per square-metre of all-year provision. Auckland Council advise updated aquatic supply and demand analysis is being undertaken to assess the direction outlined in the National Strategy and consider the impacts of growth, assess future gaps in relation to services and lifespan of existing facilities. This will consider the whole pool network (indoor, outdoor, non-council, council, learn to swim, schools etc).

At the time of preparing this plan, detailed aquatic analysis was not available for the Auckland Region or specifically for Howick.

INDICATIVE ASSESSMENT OF HOWICK LB AQUATIC PROVISION

Based on current provision and assumptions on size and community availability, the table provides an indicative assessment of aquatic provision in Howick Local Board against indicative demand using demand metrics.

SUPPLY	LLOYD ELSMORE POOL	ALL HOWICK POOLS
Learning	150m ² – 16%	1,681m ² – 44%
Structured	400m ² – 41%	1,756m ² – 46%
Leisure	415m ² – 43%	415m ² – 11%
Total supply	965m²	3,852m²
FTE supply	965m²	1,615m²

DEMAND	2022	2052
National strategy 27m ² FTE supply per 1000	4,139m ²	4,814m ²
Shortfall against FTE	2,523m² FTE	3,199m² FTE
CFNP: 70 people/square-metre of all-year supply	2,190m ²	2,547m ²
Shortfall against all-year supply (LEP)	1,225m²	1,582m²

Both supply-demand assessments indicate Howick Local Board has an **under-supply of aquatic provision**.

A high-level functional assessment indicates public provision at Lloyd Elsmore Pool is fairly balanced for learning, structured and leisure water. Across all pools, the majority of provision is designed for structured and learning activities indicating an **undersupply of leisure water**. At a network level, this would suggest any additional aquatic provision should focus on providing leisure water (alongside other aquatic components to deliver a functional aquatic facility).

Geographically, provision is focused in the north of the local board. A spatial assessment indicates there may be a **spatial gap in the southern area** which could be filled by the proposed Flat Bush aquatic facility. However, detailed catchment and capacity analysis taking into account current and neighbouring aquatic facilities is important to confirm the best approach.

LLOYD ELSMORE POOL AND LEISURE CENTRE

- The facility opened in 1987 and was extended in 2002.
- The centre attracts over 600,000 visits per annum (peak has been 730,000) with 75% visiting for aquatic and 25% for fitness. This equates to approximately 466 aquatic visits per square-metre, which is extremely high demand indicator when compared with other aquatic facilities.
- The centre indicates there is a wide catchment extending to Beachlands and Dannemora.
- The centre reports the facility is under pressure with excess demand across all areas including learning, aquatic fitness, dry fitness, group fitness, aquatic leisure and therapy (spa, sauna, steam). There is strong

use across morning, day-time, after-school and weekend periods and the facility does not have significant off-peak periods.

- The recent addition of the outdoor splash-pad has supported more use although the space is some-what disconnected from the rest of the facility. There have been some challenges with the splash-pad surface and the water is not heated which limits the appeal on cooler days.
- The learn to swim programme is operated by Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club under a standing agreement. The Club are significantly hirers of the lap-pool with around 70 plus hours per week.
- The facility is reported in good condition. There are investigations to install a solar system to transition the heating systems.
- The centre report the carpark is under heavy pressure.
- There was a suggestion to consider expanding Lloyd Elsmore Pool rather than building a new aquatic facility.

SCHOOL POOLS

- There are 15 outdoor pools located on schools with the majority small and shallow best suited for learn to swim activities and some play.
- Two larger pools at Pakuranga College and Howick Intermediate are key locations for Howick Pakuranga Swim Club for training purposes. Both school pools are used by other schools for school sport activities.
- Saint Kentigern College have a significant outdoor pool but is not used for community use due to the location on the school grounds. The School has previously considered redeveloping the pool for waterpolo. The School currently use Scared Heart Aquatic Centre (in Orakei).

FLAT BUSH AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE

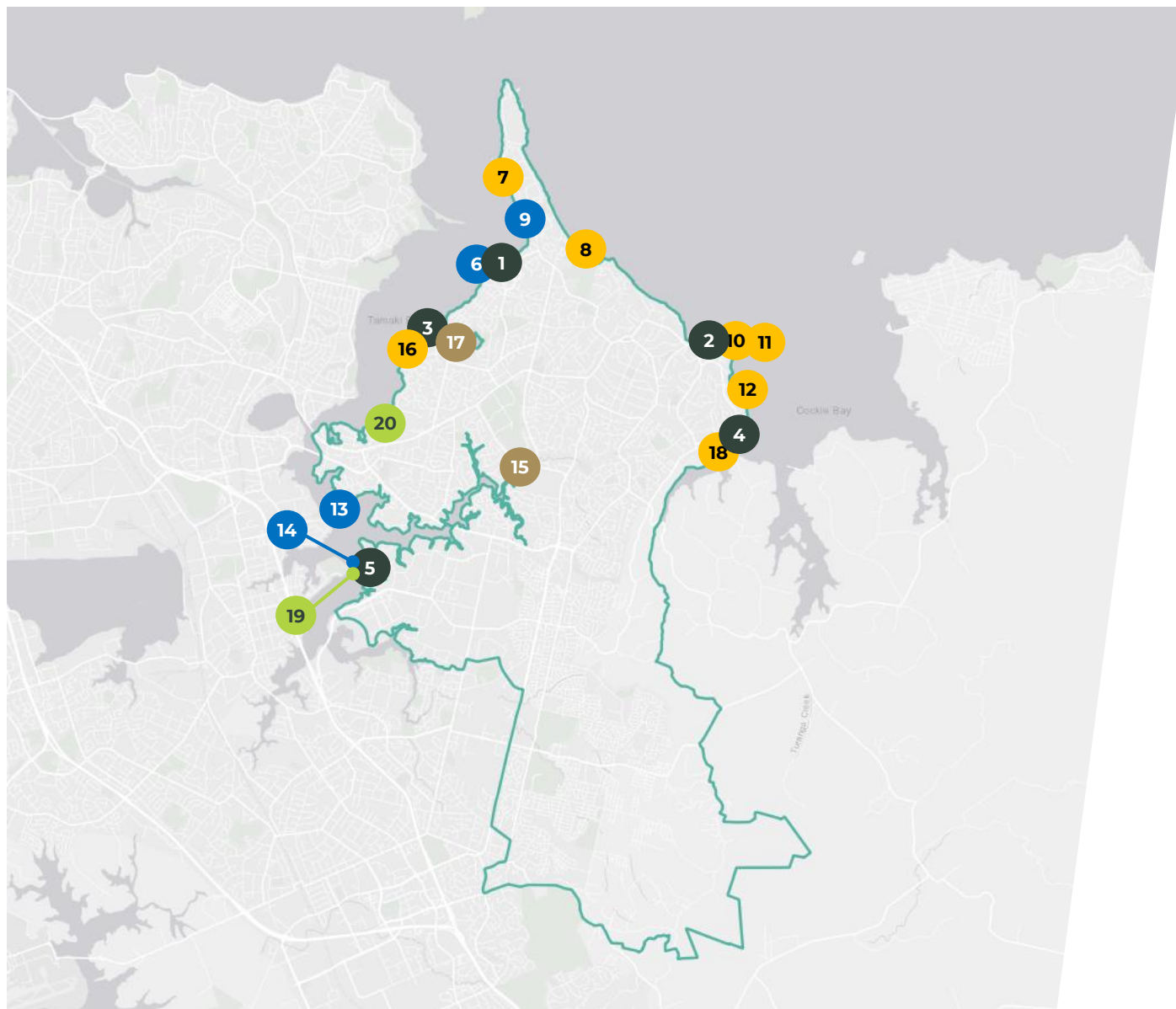
- A geographic gap has previously been identified for aquatic and leisure provision in the Flat Bush area.
- 2022 assessment identified the local catchment and engagement expect greatest demand for a leisure pool, learn to swim, 25m lap pool, fitness gym, indoor courts and group exercise classes.
- Four options were considered including local and regional facilities.
- Two location options were considered on Barry Curtis Park.
- The project is currently on hold awaiting funding.

CODE/GROUP INSIGHT

AQUATIC			
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club	Lloyd Elsmore Pool Pakuranga College Howick Intermediate	400 (Seniors: 30, Juniors: 370)	↔
Fulton Swim School (Botany)	12D Torrens Road, Burswood		↑
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership has been growing and no major changes were reported in participation patterns apart from growing diversity. • Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club uses the Lloyd Elsmore Pool extensively (70+ hours per week year-round) with additional use of Pakuranga College and Howick Intermediate pools in Howick (and other pools beyond). • Fulton Swim School has its own private pool. • Both clubs reported the current pools met their needs. 		
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No facility constraints were reported. • Fulton Swim School did report they wanted to develop a facility in Flat Bush/Ormiston, although there were no plans underway at this stage. 		
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As outlined in the earlier section. 		
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No development proposals underway although Fulton Swim School were interested in a Flat Bush/Ormiston facility in the future and Howick Pakuranga Swimming Club were interested in any possibility of 50m pool developments. 		

WATER SPORT AND ACCESS

OUTDOOR WATER SPORT CLUBS AND WATER ACCESS FACILITIES



Key

1. Bucklands Beach Yacht Club
2. Howick Sailing Club
3. Pakuranga Sailing Club
4. Shelly Park Cruising Club
5. Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre
6. Half Moon Bay Marina Boat Ramp
7. Bucklands Beach Boat Ramp
8. Eastern Beach Boat Ramp
9. Granger Point Boat Ramp
10. Howick Beach Boat Ramp
11. Howick Beach Minor Boat Ramp
12. Cockle Bay - Shelly Beach Parade Boat Ramp
13. Tiraumea Drive Boat Ramp
14. Lady Fisher Place Boat Ramp
15. Corta Bella Place Kayak Ramp
16. Ramp beside Pakuranga Sailing Club
17. Bramley Drive Reserve Kayak/Dinghy Ramp
18. The Sandspit Boat Ramp
19. Highbrook Pontoon
20. St Kentigern College (Leith Menzies Pontoon)

- Outdoor Watersport Club or Regional Centre
- Public Boat Ramp – all-tide
- Public Boat Ramp – beach access
- Jetty/Pontoon
- Kayak and/or Dinghy Ramp

INVENTORY

OUTDOOR WATERSPORT CLUBS AND WATER ACCESS FACILITIES

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Bucklands Beach Yacht Club (Ara-Tai Rd, Half Moon Bay)	1	Outdoor Watersport Club	Clubrooms, boat storage (indoor/outdoor), marina, large parking/trailer area. By large all-tide 3-lane vehicle boat ramp by ferry terminal.	Auckland Council	Bucklands Beach Yacht Club	Bucklands Beach Yacht Club	N/D
Howick Sailing Club (Howick Beach, Granger Rd, Howick)	2	Outdoor Watersport Club	Clubrooms and sometimes activity base but limited storage, parking or water access. Clubrooms appear to be mostly operated as an administration/social club venue.	Auckland Council	Howick Sailing Club	Howick Sailing Club	30/06/2041
Pakuranga Sailing Club (Farm Cove Reserve, 40 Bramley Drive, Pakuranga)	3	Outdoor Watersport Club	Clubrooms and sometimes activity base but limited storage or parking. Clubrooms appear to be mostly operated as a function venue, but with some community group uses.	Auckland Council	Farm Cove Maritime Trust	Farm Cove Maritime Trust	30/11/2024
Shelly Park Cruising Club (Shelly Park Reserve, 197R Sandspit Road)	4	Outdoor Watersport Club	Clubrooms, boat storage, and activity base	Auckland Council	Shelly Park Cruising Club	Shelly Park Cruising Club	16/06/2039
Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre (Highbrook Park 100R Highbrook Drive, East Tamaki)	5	Regional Water Sports Centre	To be constructed (consented 2023) – Clubrooms, storage, car park and access ways, boat ramp, hardstands and pontoon areas.	Auckland Council	Highbrook Regional Watersports Trust	Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre Trust	TBC
Half Moon Bay Marina Boat Ramp (Ara-Tai Rd, Half Moon Bay Marina)	6	Public Boat Ramp (all-tide)	Large all-tide 3-lane vehicle boat ramp by ferry terminal and Yacht Club.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/D
Bucklands Beach Boat Ramp (The Parade Adjacent Devon Rd)	7	Public Boat Ramp (all-tide beach access)	Single-lane beach access (room on the beach for multiple vessels to be launched depending on size).	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/D
Eastern Beach Boat Ramp (58 The Esplanade, Eastern Beach)	8	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Concrete 2-lane vehicle boat ramp/beach access and trailer parking off The Parade.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Granger Point Boat Ramp (57 The Parade, Bucklands Beach)	9	Public Boat Ramp (all-tide)	Concrete 2-lane all-tide vehicle boat ramp, parking and old Bucklands Beach Yacht Club Clubrooms and storage now used for junior sailing and community hire.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Howick Beach Boat Ramp (5 Granger Road, Cockle Bay)	10	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Beach access single boat ramp (not all-tide) by Howick Volunteer Coastguard base.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Howick Beach Minor Boat Ramp (5 Granger Road, Cockle Bay)	11	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Beach access single boat ramp for small hand launch craft (not all-tide) by Sailing Club.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Cockle Bay - Shelly Beach Parade Boat Ramp (55 Shelly Beach Parade, Cockle Bay)	12	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Concrete single-lane boat ramp/beach access off Shelly Beach Parade.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Tiraumea Drive Boat Ramp (120 Tiraumea Drive, Pakuranga)	13	Public Boat Ramp (all-tide)	Concrete boat ramp (single-lane, hand-launch). Outdoor storage/activity base for waka ama (Pakuranga Outrigger Canoe Club)	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Lady Fisher Place Boat Ramp (Highbrook - Lady Fisher Place)	14	Public Boat Ramp (all-tide)	Concrete single-lane boat ramp adjacent to a fishing jetty.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Corta Bella Place Kayak Ramp (Corta Bella Place walkway)	15	Kayak Ramp	Concrete Kayak Ramp	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Ramp beside Pakuranga Sailing Club (Farm Cove Reserve, 40 Bramley Drive, Pakuranga)	16	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Narrow concrete single-lane small boat ramp/beach access.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Bramley Drive Reserve Kayak / Dinghy Ramp (Entry opposite Belmere Rise off Bramley Drive)	17	Kayak / Dinghy Ramp	Concrete Kayak / Dingy Ramp	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
The Sandspit Boat Ramp (No road access dry stand area servicing Shelly Park Cruising Club – Shelly Park Beach)	18	Public Boat Ramp (beach access)	Beach access single boat ramp (not all-tide) by clubrooms.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Highbrook Pontoon (adjacent to Lady Fisher Place Boat Ramp)	19	Jetty / Pontoon	Jetty and pontoon providing all-tide access.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
SCHOOL FACILITIES							
St Kentigern College (Leith Menzies Pontoon) (130 Pakuranga Road, Pakuranga)	20	Jetty / Pontoon	Large jetty and pontoon giving all-tide access to rowers from St Kentigern College.	St Kentigern College	St Kentigern College	St Kentigern College	N/A

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

The Howick Local Board is well served by outdoor water sports clubrooms and boat ramps. The boat ramps range from small kayaks and dinghy launching ramps to more significant all-tide ramps for larger vessels.

The major challenge recreational users face is the quality of the mid-size and larger all-tide ramps. These assets become congested at peak times and can be inhibited by parking constraints and the restricted throughput of vessels across ramps.

As demand continues to increase, the main challenge will be to optimise existing ramps to improve throughput. Methods such as improved parking areas and increased jetty/pontoon capacity can assist in achieving this.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS

Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre

The Highbrook Regional Watersports Centre Trust (HRWCT) was established to foster and promote rowing, waka ama, and other paddling sports for young people and community groups in the areas south of the Tāmaki River. The Highbrook facility is largely for the benefit of the flat water sports of waka ama and rowing but could be used for canoe sport and other flatwater users.

The project is aimed at:

- Paddling sports who are currently denied the opportunity because of congestion/lack of available facilities at other Tāmaki-based sporting clubs,
- Schools and students south and east of the Tāmaki River,
- Special needs interests, e.g. Adaptive Rowing who have few opportunities for participation through the established clubs,
- East Tāmaki-based commercial interests, e.g. electric jet ski and motorboat proprietors, seeking access to the Tāmaki River,
- Local businesses and community groups seeking meeting premises.

Three stages have already been completed:

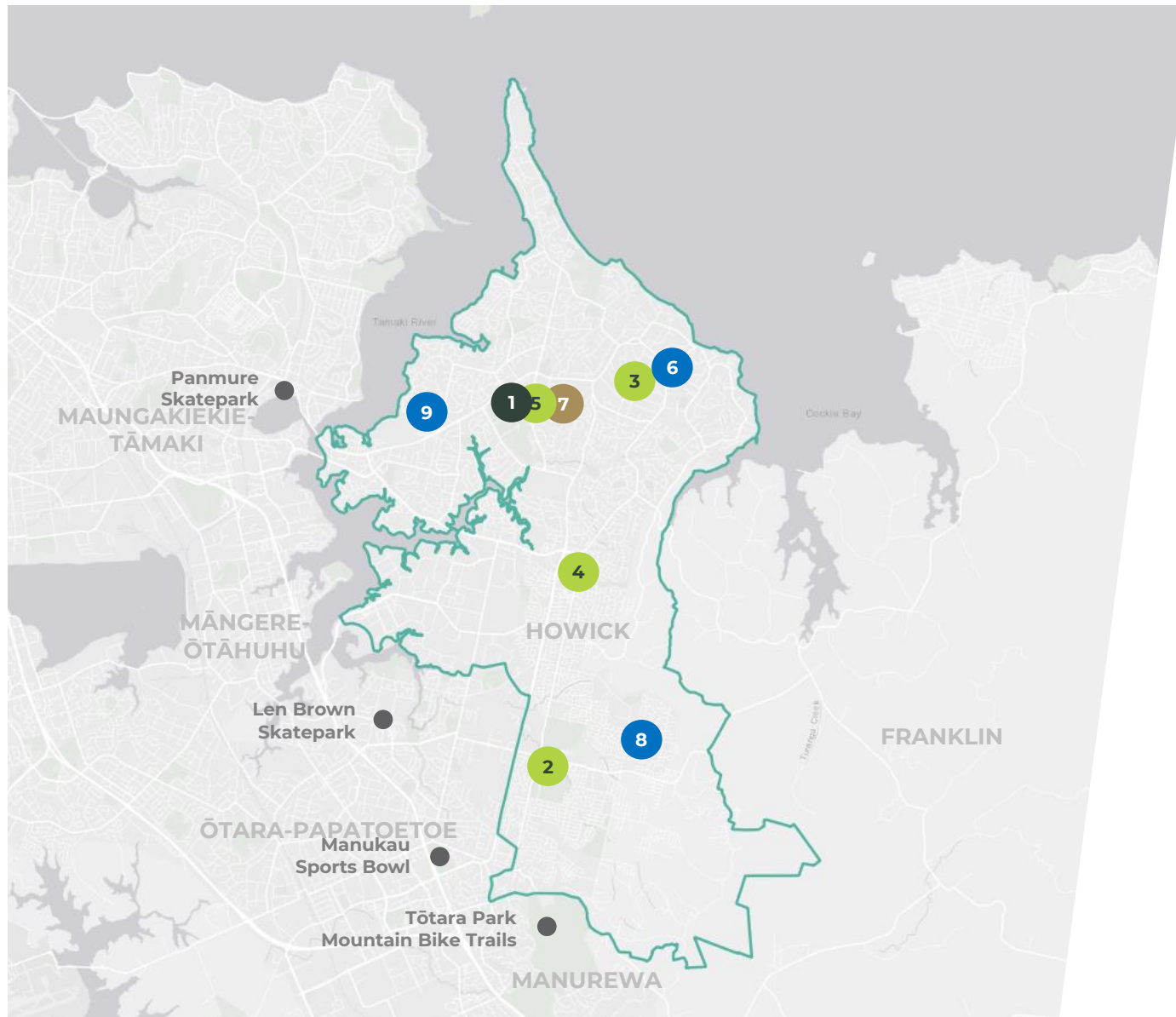
- Stage 1: site development involving earthworks to create access roads, hardstanding, car parking and building platforms,
- Stage 2: the construction of an all-tide pontoon to link the hardstanding with the Tāmaki River main channel,
- Stage 3A: building of utility services to enable use of ablution block etc.

The overall project is to develop a two-storey clubroom/storage building - completed in two stages. The upper level is 295m² and lower level 840m². The building will provide secure storage/accommodation for padding sports codes, community facilities, meeting rooms, office, training and changing facilities.

The current stage (Stage 3B) involves: establishing of temporary facilities to allow continued use of the site while construction is occurring and construct a table-top that will ultimately carry the completed building. The table-top involves substructure (piling), ground floor slab, and utility services to sufficiently support the future building. Stage 3B is estimated at \$3.7 million and Stage 3C which is the actual building at \$4.5 million. Total project cost of \$8.2 million.

The project was granted \$3.1 million from Auckland Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund (2024/25) towards Stage 3B – table-top.

WHEEL-BASED FACILITIES



Key

1. Mountain Raiders BMX Track
2. Barry Curtis Skatepark
3. Howick Domain Skate 'Spot'
4. Lloyd Carr Reserve Skate 'Spot'
5. Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark
6. Nixon Centennial Park
7. Rotary Centennial Bike Trail
8. Mission Heights Junior College Pump Track
9. Sunnyhills Primary School Pump Track

- BMX Track and Facilities
- Skate Facilities
- Pump Tracks
- Trail / Learn-to-Ride

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Mountain Raiders BMX Track - Lloyd Elsmore Park (2 Bells Rd, Pakuranga Heights)	1	BMX Track	Competition grade BMX track with lights. Managed by Mountain Raiders BMX club with council support.
Barry Curtis Skatepark (169 Ormiston Rd, Flat Bush)	2	Skatepark – street skate / bowl	Large concrete skatepark with many ramps, rails, platforms, 2 bowls and skate features in Barry Curtis Park (south). Adjacent to basketball court.
Howick Domain Skate Spot (90R Wellington St Howick)	3	Skate spot	Small facility with steps, rail and ramp as part of basketball hoop setup by the rifle club. Too small to be labelled a 'Skatepark' and design constraints limit its uses.
Logan Carr Reserve Skate Sport (585R Chapel Road, Dannemora)	4	Skate spot	Small concrete pad with one rail and one small pad/ledge. Too small to be called a 'Skatepark' and design constraints limit its uses.
Lloyd Elsmore Park Skatepark (2R Bells Rd, Pakuranga Heights)	5	Skatepark – street skate	Small concrete skatepark with rails, hips and platforms and wooden vert ramp by BMX Track. Managed by East Skate Club supported by Council.
Nixon Centennial Park (33 Selwyn Rd, Cockle Bay)	6	Pump Track (modular, relocatable)	Small modular pump track for scooters, skateboards, bikes by playground & community hall.
Rotary Centennial Bike Trail – Lloyd Elsmore Park	7	Kids bike trail / Learn-to-Ride	1.2 km trail including some challenge sections, jumps and see-saws (with bypass options)
SCHOOL FACILITIES			
Mission Heights Junior College (103 Jeffs Rd, Flat Bush)	8	School cycle & pump track	Cycle track beside playing field and large pump track area.
Sunnyhills Primary (17 The Crest, Sunnyhills)	9	School cycle & Pump track	Cycle track around playing fields with some pump areas.

Note: this section focuses on specific sites and facilities supporting bike and skate-related activities and does not include road cycling routes, community bike and skate infrastructure for active transport and proposed greenway plans. Focus is primarily placed on facilities such as mountain bike parks/trails, pump tracks, learn-to-ride, and skate/scooter parks. However, paths (current and proposed) are recognised as important infrastructure for general physical activity and help facilitate and activate sport and recreation sites through greater accessibility and connectivity. This is further outlined in the Paths and Outdoor Exercise Facilities section.

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

DRAFT WHEEL PLAY STUDY

The wheel play study identifies recommended developments across various facility types. The following outlines the top-3 priorities for fixed assets (not relocatable – although relocatable pop-ups can be used where possible to gauge possible demand).

Learn-to-Ride

1. **Lloyd Elsmore Park** (Pakuranga Heights) – development of a destination learn-to-ride circuit. Opportunities exist to co-locate the circuit with the Rotary Centennial Bike Trail and in close proximity to the playground and carpark. The development would complement and add to the existing wheel play area.
2. **Prince Regent Park** (Half Moon Bay) – integrated facilities with playspace upgrade or dedicated in Waka Aranga Creek Reserve – no toilets located onsite.

Pump Tracks (permanent)

1. **Lloyd Elsmore Park** (Pakuranga Heights) – track for beginners and experienced riders (part of a new wheel play facility). Co-locates wheel facilities, adjacent support infrastructure and is accessible via active and public transport networks.
2. **Burswood Esplanade** (Burswood) – pump track to be provided as part of the Auckland Transport Eastern Busway project (geographic gap) – no toilets located onsite.
2. **Prince Regent Park** (Half Moon Bay) – incorporated as an integrated wheel and playspace – no toilets are located onsite.

Note: there is also a geographic gap around Flat Bush that could serviced through future provision at Barry Curtis Park (adjacent to existing skatepark) or at Murph's Sport Park (Ostrich Farm).

Skate Facilities

1. **Llyod Elsmore Park** (Pakuranga Heights) – upgrade of existing skate park to cater for beginners to experienced skaters. Part of a wheel destination hub.
2. **Logan Carr Reserve** (Dannemora) – expanded skate facility (current geographic gap).

Mountain Bike Trails

1. **Llyod Elsmore Park** (Pakuranga Heights) – upgrade the existing Rotary Centennial Bike Trail (for the purposes of the Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan, this is not considered a mountain bike trail).
2. **Greenmount Landfill** (East Tamaki) – inclusion of mountain bike trails as part of any future development. However, it is noted that significant amounts of gas are still being generated and multiple other remedial projects will be required before any development can proceed. It is forecast development would be a minimum of 10 years from 2023.
3. **Point View Reserve** (East Tamaki Heights) – potential for mountain bike trails that do not impact on existing bush walkways or ecologically important areas.

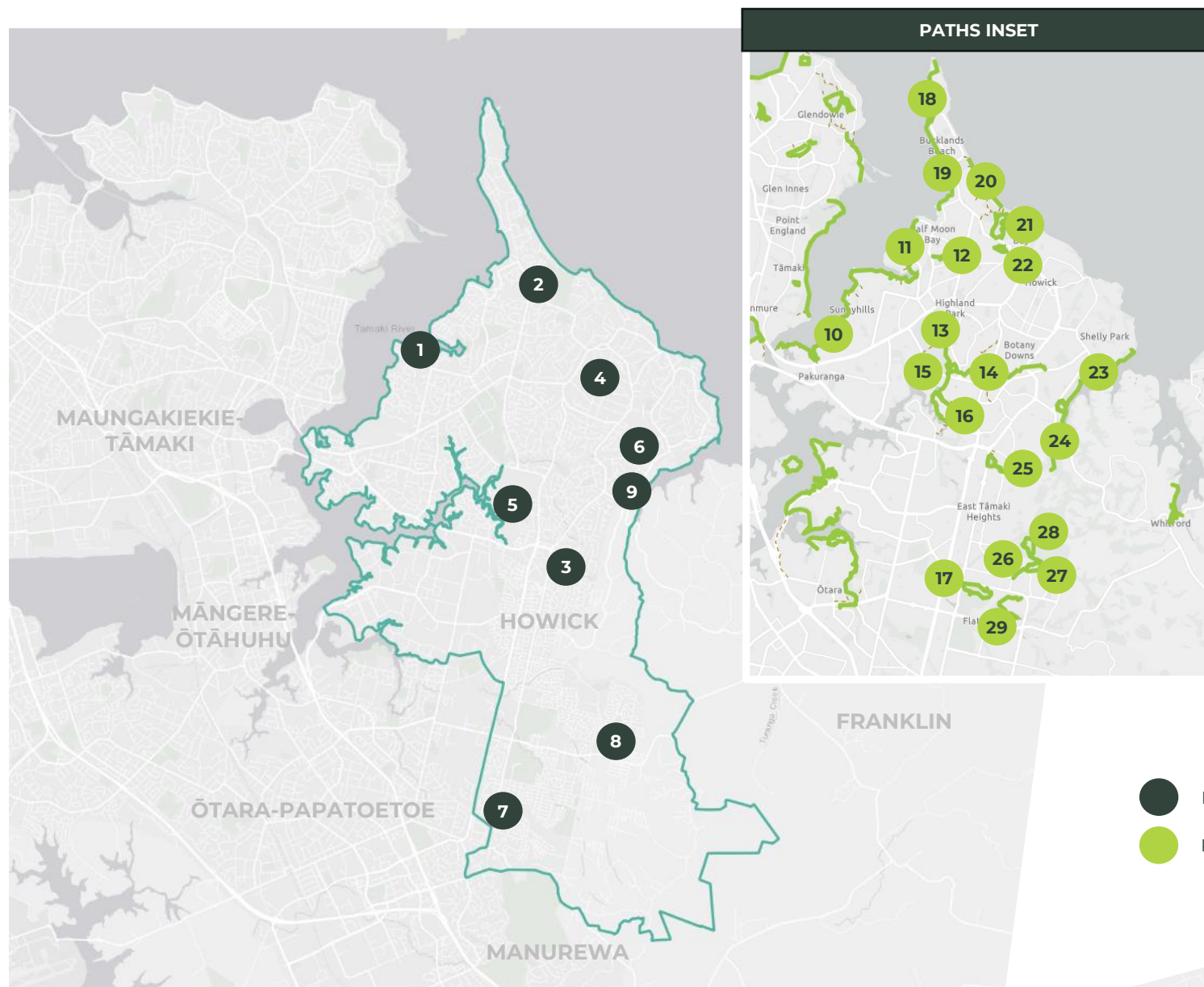
CRITERIUM TRACK

A cycling group raised the prospect of forming a criterium track in Howick. It should be noted that a criterium track has been considered and incorporated into the Manukau Sports Bowl Masterplan. Given the velodrome is located there and a range of other bike hub facilities have been proposed for Manukau Sports Bowl, a criterium track would optimally be part of this consolidated hub.

CODE/GROUP OVERVIEW



CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Mountain Raiders BMX Club	2R Bells Road, (Club Track at Lloyd Elsmore Park)	-	200 (S, 60/J, 140)	↑
East Skate Club	2R Bells Road, (Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark)	-	1,00 (S, 300/J, 1200)	↑
East Auckland Seniors Cycling Club	Mostly urban circuits around Howick/East Auckland and some wider ranging excursions.	-		
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More young people, girls and diverse ethnic groups • Clubs reported increased use resulting from school programmes, desire for non-organised sports, and exposure of Olympic participation (e.g. BMX). • Most groups appeared to require only functional activity-support facilities (e.g., skateparks, BMX tracks etc) rather than any facilities for typical 'sports clubroom' activities. • East Skate Club reported supplementary facility sites at Barry Curtis Skatepark and Logan Carr Reserve • Average weekly activity levels were highly variable given the different wheeled activity types and common casual use. 			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs indicated no real need for their own clubrooms, with halls hired when space was needed. • Mountain Raiders BMX had the only formalised specific activity-facility at their Lloyd Elsmore track which met their needs. While the facility meets their needs they would like toilets and more storage options there. • East Skate Club reported the Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark wasn't meeting their needs due to poor design, drainage issues, lack of shelter and toilets, and limited access. The club also cited a significant lack of skate space across East Auckland. 			
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 			
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No developments are currently underway but East Skate Club report they have made funding bids for facility upgrades (which have been unsuccessful). They also reported they were open to facility partnerships. 			

PATHS & OUTDOOR EXERCISE FACILITIES



Key

1. Bramley Drive Reserve
2. Macleans Park
3. Logan Carr Reserve
4. Howick Domain
5. Frank Nobilo Reserve
6. Meadowland Park
7. Raphoe Park
8. Silvana Park
9. Sommerville Park
10. Pakuranga Rotary Path
11. Half Moon Bay to Wakaaranga Creek Path
12. Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain Path
13. Llyod Elsmore Path
14. Cascades Path
15. Pakuranga Creek Path
16. Golflands Loop Path
17. Barry Curtis Path
18. Musick Point Path
19. Bucklands Beach Path
20. Eastern Beach Path
21. Macleans Path
22. Murvale Path
23. Mangemangeroa Shelly Park Beach Path
24. Mangemangeroa Kōwhai Path
25. Logan Carr Path
26. Point View Lookout Path
27. Point View Loop Path
28. Point View Bush Path
29. Flatbush Path

-  Public Exercise Equipment
-  Paths

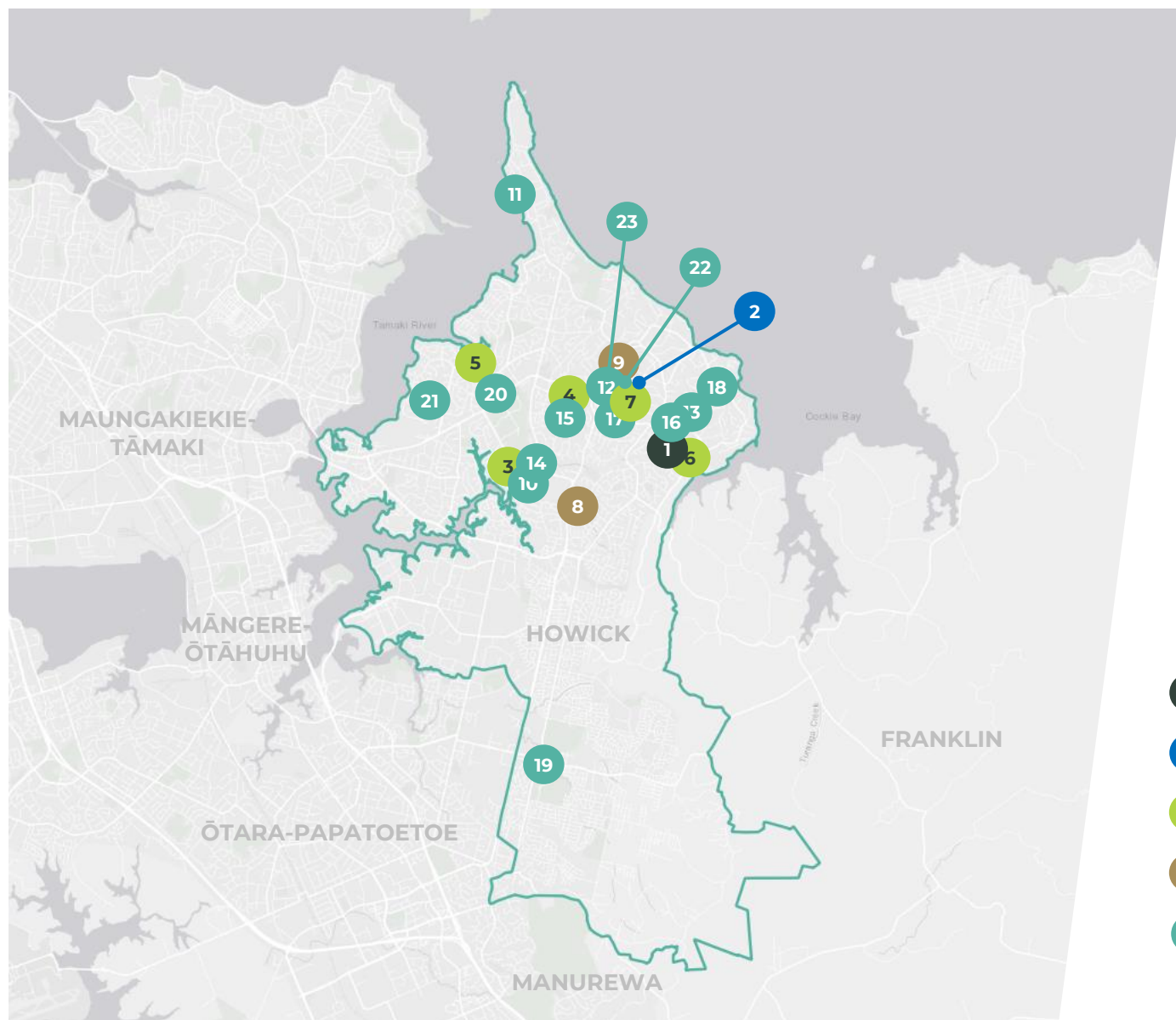
INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Bramley Drive Reserve (94R Bramley Drive, Farm Cove)	1	Fitness Equipment	4 exercise machines by Pakuranga Sailing Club in Reserve with green space, playground, and start of Pakuranga Rotary Path.
Macleans Park (Macleans Rd, Bucklands Beach)	2	Fitness Equipment	5 exercise machines by the zipline off Macleans Rd, along the Macleans Park Path.
Logan Carr Reserve (by 119 Kilkenny Drive, Dannemora)	3	Fitness Equipment	8 exercise machines by Kilkenny Playground.
Howick Domain (cnr Howe & Moore Sts, Howick)	4	Fitness Equipment	4 exercise machines by playground/picnic area by tennis courts on Howick Domain.
Frank Nobilo Reserve (24R Frank Nobilo Drive, Golflands)	5	Fitness Equipment	2 exercise machines by playground/picnic area in Golflands Park, along the Golflands Loop Path
Meadowland Park (41R Meadowland Drive, Somerville)	6	Fitness Equipment	5 exercise machines in a short gymfitness trail outside the sports clubrooms and tennis courts.
Raphoe Park (by 11 Innisowen Place, Flat Bush)	7	Fitness Equipment	3 exercise machines by playground and path in a small streamside reserve
Silvana Park (55 Valderama Drive, Flat Bush)	8	Fitness Equipment	2 exercise machines at small playground by corner of Valderama Dr and Argento Av.
Somerville Park (97 Somerville Rd, Somerville)	9	Fitness Equipment	4 exercise machines off path beside green open space reserve.
Pakuranga Rotary Path (start at 35 Kerswill Place, Pakuranga)	10	Shared use sealed path	18km harbourside path linking parks and playgrounds from Panmure Bridge to Farm Cove. Continues to Half Moon Bay Ferry Terminal on Half Moon Bay to Wakaaranga Creek Path.
Half Moon Bay to Wakaaranga Creek Path (start at 36 Ara-Tai Rd, Half Moon Bay)	11	Shared use sealed path	4km track linking the Half Moon Bay ferry terminal to the Pakuranga Rotary Path.

NAME	MAP REF #	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain Path (start at 64 Pigeon Mountain Rd, Half Moon Bay)	12	Walking Path	Short sub 1km path from the Rd to Pigeon Mountain summit. Includes some steps.
Lloyd Elmore Path (start at 55 Aviemore Drive, Highland Park)	13	Shared use sealed path	1.5km path linking park features and facilities in Lloyd Elmore Park. Joins to Cascades Path.
Cascades Path (start at 95 Aviemore Drive, Highland Park)	14	Shared use sealed path	8km path linking parks and playgrounds between Meadowland and Lloyd Elmore Parks. Joins To Pakuranga Creek Path and Lloyd Elmore Path
Pakuranga Creek Path (start at 43 West Fairway, Golflands)	15	Shared use sealed path	1.5km secluded scenic path along Pakuranga Creek. Joins to Cascade Path and Golflands Loop Path.
Golflands Loop Path (start at 18 West Fairway, Golflands)	16	Shared use sealed path	1.9km scenic and suburban track along Pakuranga Creek and around parks in Golflands. Joins to Pakuranga Creek Path.
Barry Curtis Path (start at 58 Stancombe Rd, Flat Bush)	17	Shared use sealed path	1.8km path linking park features and facilities in Barry Curtis Park (north).
Musick Point Path (start at 80 The Parade, Bucklands Beach)	18	Shared use sealed Rd/path	3.2km scenic Rd/path along an esplanade reserve by a golf course to the end of the peninsula. Short section to join Bucklands Beach Path.
Bucklands Beach Path (start at 1 Ara-Tai Rd, Half Moon Bay)	19	Shared use sealed path	5.2km path from half Moon Bay Marina along the Bucklands Beach foreshore. Short sections at either end to join Musick Point Path or the Half Moon Bay to Wakaaranga Creek Path
Eastern Beach Path (start at 65b The Esplanade, Eastern Beach)	20	Sealed or non-sealed walking path/route	2.5km along sand, grass or footpath along the Eastern Beach foreshore esplanade from Rogers Park to Macleans College grounds.

NAME	MAP REF #	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Macleans Path (start at 104 Macleans Rd, Bucklands Beach)	21	Non sealed walking loop	2km through park restoration areas and green spaces with multiple entrances/ connections (including to Eastern Beach Path), also play areas. Some steps.
Murvale Path (start at 86 Bleakhouse Rd, Bucklands Beach)	22	Non sealed walking loop	Short sub 1km path (with some steps) through small bush reserve
Mangemangeroa Shelly Park Beach Path (start at 108 Somerville Rd, Somerville)	23	Non sealed walking path	5km harbourside walk (with steps) through scenic bush and includes the Mangemangeroa Rotary Loop Path before joining the Mangemangeroa Kōwhai Path.
Mangemangeroa Kōwhai Path (starts at 38 Hayley Lane, East Tamaki Heights)	24	Non sealed walking path	3.6km streamside walk through a bush reserve. Joins the Mangemangeroa Shelly Park Beach Path
Logan Carr Path (start at 585 Chapel Rd, Botany)	25	Shared use sealed path/loops	3km path linking 2 adjacent reserves and creating loops connecting features and entrance points in each.
Point View Lookout Path (start at 71 Coachman Drive, Flat Bush)	26	Non sealed walking path	3km path linking Gracechurch Reserve to the summit of Point View Reserve. Connects to Point View Loop Path and Point View Bush Path on the way.
Point View Loop Path (start at 17 Gracechurch Drive, Flat Bush)	27	Sealed walking path (no steps)	1.8km bush loop on the lower end of the Point View Lookout Path
Point View Bush Path (start at 111 Point View Drive, East Tamaki)	28	Non sealed walking path	1.4km bush loop on the top end of the Point View Lookout Track. Has steps.
Flatbush Path (start at 25 Skelligs Drive, Flat Bush)	29	Shared use sealed path	3.2km path linking small reserves and playgrounds in suburban setting with the larger East Tamaki Heights Reserve.

OTHER INDOOR FACILITIES



Key

1. Meadowlands Sports Centre / Howick Squash Club
2. Howick Rifle Club
3. Howick Gymnastics Club
4. Howick Leisure Centre
5. Farm Cove Intermediate
6. Sommerville Intermediate
7. Red Studio
8. Howick Club
9. Owairoa Primary School
10. Auckland MMA
11. Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Memorial Hall
12. Champs Boxing
13. Cockle Bay School
14. Everygrowing Strength Academy
15. Grappling-Lab Brazilian Ju Jitsu Dojo
16. Howick College
17. Howick Hapkido Gym
18. JKA New Zealand Dojo
19. Ormiston Activity Centre
20. Pakuranga Community Hall
21. Sunnyhills Primary School
22. The Box Office
23. Wimbledon Muay Thai

- Squash Courts
- Rifle Club
- Gymnastics
- Indoor Bowls
- Martial Arts

INVENTORY

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
BESPOKE SPORTS FACILITIES							
Meadowlands Sports Centre / Howick Squash Club (Meadowlands Park - 41 Meadowland Drive, Somerville)	1	Squash Courts	4x glass-backed squash courts including 2x doubles-capable courts – all with tiered seating. Part of shared facility with bar, lounge and kitchen; small warm up gym; onsite physio and hireable meeting room. Facility includes Howick Squash Club clubrooms and clubrooms for tennis and softball (serving significant playing facilities).	Auckland Council	Meadowlands MultiSports Trust	Howick Squash Club	17/03/2039
Howick Rifle Club (Howick Domain - 90R Wellington St, Howick)	2	Indoor Shooting Range	Indoor 22.5m range; upstairs lounge, kitchen and bathroom facilities. Used by multiple shooting clubs. Building includes changing rooms for users of adjacent playing fields.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Howick Rifle Club	30/09/2024
GYMNASTICS FACILITIES							
Howick Gymnastics Club (15 Ben Lomond Crescent, Pakuranga Heights)	3	Gymnastics Facility	Indoor space (activity space of 870m ²) and ancillary spaces.	Private Church	Private Church	Howick Gymnastics Club	-
Howick Leisure Centre (563 Pakuranga Rd, Howick)	4	Indoor Courts (multi-code)	1x full-sized basketball court. Used for afterschool gymnastics programme between 3:45-5:45pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Howick Rhythmics Farm Cove Intermediate (14-16 Butley Drive, Farm Cove)	5	School Gymnasium	1x full-size basketball court used for rhythmic gymnastics on Tuesdays 4:45-7:40pm and Saturdays 8-11am - set-up/packdown arrangement.	MOE	MOE	Farm Cove Intermediate	N/A
Howick Rhythmics Somerville Intermediate (Somerville Rd, Somerville)	6	School Gymnasium	1x full-size basketball court used for rhythmic gymnastics on Thursdays 5-7pm - set-up/packdown arrangement.	MOE	MOE	Somerville Intermediate	N/A
Red Studio (167 Moore Street, Howick)	7	Aerobics Studio	2 studios with kitchenette and bathrooms. Rise Aerobics Academy is a programme part of Red Studio.	Private	Private	Red Studio	-
INDOOR BOWLS							
Howick Club (107 Botany Rd, Botany Downs)	8	Indoor Space	Indoor space which is used weekly for indoor bowls.	Howick Club	Howick Club	Howick Club	N/A
Owairoa Primary School (Cnr Wellington & Nelson Street, Howick)	9	School Hall/Spaces	Primary School Hall used for Indoor Bowls (Howick Indoor Bowling Club)	MOE	Owairoa Primary School	Owairoa Primary School	N/A
MARTIAL ARTS							
Auckland MMA (75 Ben Lomond Crescent, Pakuranga Heights)	10	Martial Arts	Commercial building space fitted out for martial arts	Private owners	Private owners	Auckland MMA	-

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Memorial Hall (48 The Parade, Bucklands Beach)	11	Community Venue	Bookable community Hall with stage. Capacity of around 320 standing/seated, kitchenette. Hired by martial arts groups.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Champs Boxing (173 Moore St Howick)	12	Martial Arts	Boxing/fitness gym in commercial building	Private	Private	Private	-
Cockle Bay School (10 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)	13	School Hall/Spaces	Used for martial arts	MOE	Cockle Bay School	Cockle Bay School	N/A
Evergrowing Strength Academy (145 Cascades Rd, Pakuranga Heights)	14	Martial Arts	Martial arts dojo by dance centre in commercial building	Private	Private	Private	-
Grappling-Lab Brazilian Ju Jitsu Dojo (563 Pakuranga Rd, Howick)	15	Martial Arts	Dojo in basement space under Howick Bridge Club (beside Howick Leisure Centre) used by Grappling-Lab Brazilian Ju Jitsu Club	Auckland Council	Howick Bridge Club	Howick Bridge Club	-
Howick College (34 Sandspit Rd, Cockle Bay)	16	School Hall/Spaces	Rooms at Howick College used for martial arts.	MOE	Howick College	Howick College	N/A
Howick Hapkido Gym (239 Moore St, Howick)	17	Martial Arts	Martial arts dojo by dance centre in commercial buildings	Private	Private	Private	-
JKA New Zealand Dojo (38 Montgomery Crescent, Cockle Bay)	18	Martial Arts	Martial arts dojo and yoga gym in converted residential house	Private	Private	Private	-
Ormiston Activity Centre (Barry Curtis Park, 169 Ormiston Rd, Flat Bush)	19	Community Hall/Venue	Small bookable council indoor venue in Barry Curtis Park. Capacity of around 40 seated/standing, kitchenette, viewing over adjacent skatepark. Hired by martial arts groups.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Pakuranga Community Hall (346 Pakuranga Road, Pakuranga Heights)	20	Community Hall/Venue	Capacity of around 220 standing/seated, kitchenette, wooden floor. Heritage building. Hired by martial arts groups.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	N/A
Sunnyhills Primary School (17 The Crest, Sunnyhills)	21	School Hall/Spaces	Used by Pakuranga Okinawa Goju Ryu Karate	MOE	Sunnyhills Primary School	Sunnyhills Primary School	N/A
The Box Office (138 Moore St, Howick)	22	Martial Arts	Boxing/fitness gym in commercial buildings	Private	Private	Private	-
Wimbledon Muay Thai (2/232 Wellington St, Howick)	23	Martial Arts	Martial arts dojo in commercial buildings	Private	Private	Private	-

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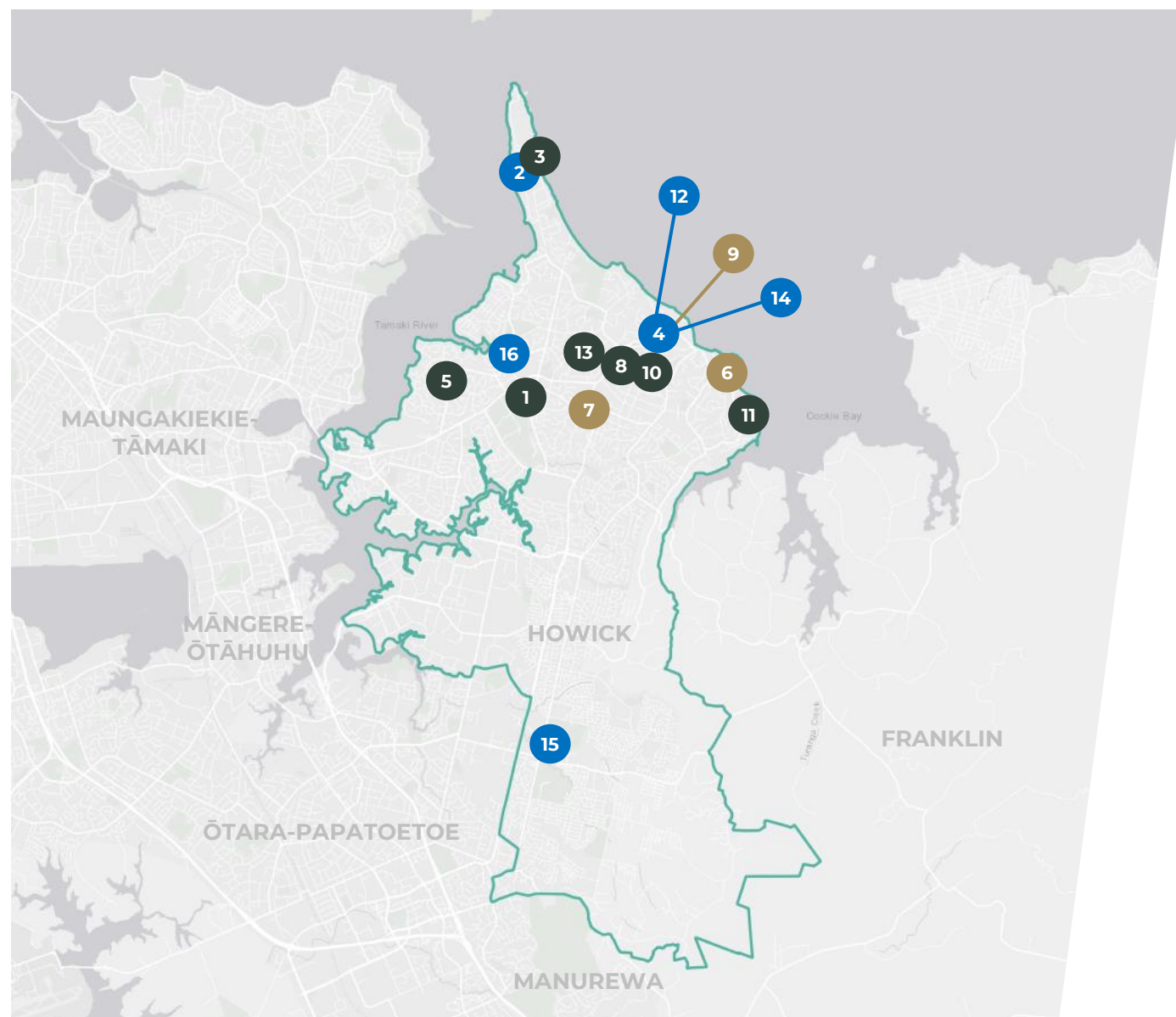
GYMNASTICS	
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA
Howick Gymnastics Club	Pakuranga Heights
Howick Leisure Centre	Howick
Howick Rhythmics	Farm Cove Intermediate Sommerville Intermediate
Rise Aerobics Academy	Red Studio, Howick
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gymnastics activity varies across deliverers and facilities which is important to consider across the facility network: Howick Gymnastics Club – delivers preschool, recreational and competitive men's and women's gymnastics. The club is the only dedicated gymnastics facility in the Local Board area. Howick Leisure Centre – recreational activity only (set-up/pack-down arrangement). Howick Rhythmics – recreational and competitive rhythmic gymnastics (set-up/pack-down arrangement). Rise Aerobics Academy – recreational and competitive aerobics. Howick Gymnastics Club averages 811 members per term.
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Gymnastics Club – the club has significant capacity constraints and is currently servicing a rent of around \$146,000. Over the last 10-years the rent has increased 71% (40% alone in the last 5-years). There is a gap in sub-regional gymnastics facility provision in the Howick area (larger footprint for delivery). Need to reduce operating expenditure for financial sustainability.
Strategic Context	<p>The Auckland Gymsports Facility Plan identifies the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National capacity ratios indicate there are likely to be high-capacity pressures being experienced by Howick Gymnastics Club. The need to investigate the development of a sub-regional gymnastics facility at Llyod Elsmore Park, Howick.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Gymnastics Club – a 1,400m² activity space with supporting ancillary spaces has been proposed as part of the Lloyd Elsmore Community Hub Project.

SQUASH		
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS
Howick Squash Club	Meadowland Reserve	✓
Notable Trends & Use Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2021 the club had 136 members which is down 22% from 2014 levels, while the number of leisure players has remained relatively stable. There is a high proportion of male players (91%) and seniors (70%). Overall, membership across Auckland has grown by 3% since 2014 (to 2021) whilst experiencing some decline during the COVID-impacted years. Howick is now the only facility in Auckland with double courts (movable walls) following the closure of the National Squash Centre. 	
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The club has cited the need for an additional 1-2 squash courts. 	
Strategic Context	<p>The National Squash Facilities Strategy (2022) identifies the following with relevance to Howick:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howick Squash Club is categorised as a Regional facility (standard quality venue with ability to host major events, district open or inter-regional representative competitions). The facilities are considered as being in high quality standard. Using tentative guidelines for Auckland (these are to be refined in the updated regional plan), there is a shortfall from a population and geographic analysis viewpoint, but not from a participation guideline. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provision Guideline – 1 court per 12,000-15,000 residents = 10 required courts for Howick (currently 4). This could be slightly lower as the Panmure Squash Club is on the upper end of being within a 30-minute drive time of Howick at peak time. Participation guideline of 0.6-0.8% of registered squash members to the population. For Howick it currently sits at 0.09% - suggesting the member capture rate is low. <p>The Squash Auckland Regional Facilities Plan (2020) outlines the following (additional insights to complement more recent findings in the national strategy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The club has the 9th highest ratio of members per court. Howick has the highest number of residents per club court (compared to all other Local Board areas). 	

SQUASH	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The eastern suburbs in Auckland have a lack of squash courts, with Howick and Panmure Squash clubs servicing the area from Mt Wellington to the east. The shortfall of squash court provision is based on forecast population growth and distance between the nearest clubs.
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The club has plans to develop a further 1-2 squash courts.

TARGET SPORTS				
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Manukau Sporting Rifle Club	90R Wellington Street Howick	✓	80 (S 70, J 10)	↑

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND VENUES-FOR-HIRE



Key

1. Air Training Corps Hall
2. Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Memorial Hall
3. Bucklands Neach Sea Scout Hall
4. Howick Library
5. Glenmore Road Guides Hall
6. Howick Children's & Youth Centre
7. Howick Club
8. Howick Guides Hall
9. Howick RSA & Community Club
10. Howick Scout Hall
11. Howick Sea Scouts
12. Howick War Memorial Hall
13. Minerva Scout Group Hall
14. Nixon Park Community Hall
15. Ormiston Activity Centre
16. Pakuranga Community Hall

- Scout, Guides & Army Training Corps Halls
- Community Facilities
- Other Venue-for-Hire

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
Air Training Corps Hall (2R Bells Road, Pakuranga Heights)	1	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Base for Number 40 (City of Manukau) Squadron of the Air Training Corps in the Depot, Lloyd Elsmore Park	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Air Training Corps	30/06/2012
Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Memorial Hall (48 The Parade, Bucklands Beach)	2	Community Hall/Venue	Bookable community Hall with stage. Capacity of around 320 standing/seated, kitchenette. Virtually all booked uses were either Dance, Martial arts or Exercise classes. Only very occasional sport/recreation or other uses (<1%).	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a
Bucklands Beach Sea Scout Hall (Bucklands Beach Domain, 32R Morrow Avenue)	3	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Sea scout and guides base	Auckland Council	Scouts New Zealand	Scouts New Zealand	30/10/2028
Howick Library (Fencible Lounge) (25 Uxbridge Road, Howick)	4	Community Hall/Venue	Bookable hall space inside Howick Library. Capacity of around 120 standing/seated, kitchen, AV and sound, wooden floor. Virtually all booked uses were either Dance or Martial arts with only very occasional sport/recreation or other uses (<1%).	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a
Glenmore Road Guides Hall (Amy Dunn Reserve, 57 Glenmore Rd Howick)	5	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Guides Hall in Amy Dunn Reserve along with 2 public tennis courts.	Auckland Council	Girl Guiding NZ	Girl Guiding NZ	30/04/2013
Howick Children's & Youth Theatre (29 Granger Rd, Cockle Bay)	6	Hireable Space and Rooms	Indoor spaces in Children's Theatre building used for martial arts, yoga.	Private	Private	Private	n/a
Howick Club (107 Botany Rd, Botany Downs)	7	Hireable Space and Rooms	Howick Club function room used for Indoor Bowls	Howick Club	Howick Club	Howick Club	n/a
Howick Guides Hall (Blundell Park, 50 Vincent St, Howick)	8	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Small guides Hall in residential area.	Auckland Council	Girl Guiding NZ	Girl Guiding NZ	16/06/2039
Howick RSA & Community Club	9	Hireable Space and Rooms	RSA rooms used for Indoor bowls (also some martial arts)	Howick RSA	Howick RSA	Howick RSA	n/a

NAME	MAP REF #	FACILITY TYPE	FACILITIES	LAND OWNERSHIP	FACILITY OWNERSHIP	MANAGEMENT	LEASE EXPIRY
(33 Selwyn Rd, Cockle Bay)							
Howick Sea Scout Hall (10 Gibraltar St, Howick)	10	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Small scout Hall in residential area	Scouts Aotearoa	Scouts New Zealand	Scouts New Zealand	n/a
Howick Sea Scouts – Shelly Bay Base (197R Sandspit Road, Shelly Park)	11	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Sea scout base and storage shed at Beach Reserve.	Auckland Council	Scouts New Zealand	Scouts New Zealand	16/06/2039
Howick War Memorial Hall (91 Picton St, Howick)	12	Community Hall/Venue	Redesignated as an indoor bookable venue from May 2024 (was a local community information/service centre). Small capacity of around 15 seated/standing with kitchenette. All booked uses were either Dance classes or Health service activities.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a
Minerva Scout Group Hall (563 Pakuranga Rd, Howick)	13	Scout/Guides/ATC Hall	Small Scout Hall beside Howick Leisure Centre	Auckland Council	Scouts New Zealand	Scouts New Zealand	28/02/2013
Nixon Park Community Hall (70 Sale Street, Howick)	14	Community Hall/Venue	Bookable hall space in Nixon Park. Capacity of around 120 standing/seated, kitchen. Overlooks bowling green (old bowling club facility). Virtually all booked uses are Dance or Exercise classes with only very occasional sport/recreation uses (<1%).	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a
Ormiston Activity Centre (Barry Curtiss Park, 169 Ormiston Rd, Flat Bush)	15	Community Hall/Venue	Small bookable council indoor venue in Barry Curtis Park. Capacity of around 40 seated/standing, kitchenette, viewing over adjacent skatepark. External toilets. All booked uses were either Dance, Martial arts or Exercise classes.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a
Pakuranga Community Hall (346 Pakuranga Road, Pakuranga Heights)	16	Community Hall/Venue	Bookable community hall with stage used for a range of community activities and base for East Auckland Table Tennis Club for around 30% of bookings (remainder were Dance, Martial arts and Exercise classes). Capacity of around 220 standing/seated, kitchenette, wooden floor. Heritage building.	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	Auckland Council	n/a

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

AUCKLAND COUNCIL – VENUES-FOR-HIRE

Insights across Howick's venues-for-hire (2023-24) include:

- All six facilities (excluding Pakuranga Leisure Centre as this facility is covered in earlier sections) facilitate some form of sport and active recreation.
- Across all venues and booking types, dance activity has the most booked hours (14% of total hours), closely followed by church (14%) and community/neighbourhood events (11%). Collectively, movement activity comprises 28% of all community booking hours.
- When narrowing focus down to movement activity, dance comprises 50% of all booking hours (1,658 hours in 2023/24), distantly followed by martial arts (24% of booking hours) and exercises classes (13%).
- Dance has noticeably higher levels of bookings at Bucklands and Eastern beaches Memorial Hall and Howick Library (Fencible Lounge) and to lesser extents at Pakuranga Community Hall and Ormiston Activity Centre.
- Martial arts have higher proportionate use of Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Memorial Hall and Ormiston Activity Centre. While 'recreation/sport' (undefined activity) has higher proportionate use of Pakuranga Community Hall.

SCHOOLS

Other schools have known hireable spaces available, but not specifically linked to any specific sport or recreation activity (based on available information).

CODE/GROUP OVERVIEW

SCOUTS				
CLUB/GROUP NAME	LOCATION/ AREA	CLUBROOMS	MEMBERSHIP	TREND
Howick Sea Scouts	(10 Gibraltar St, Howick)	✓	80 (S 20, J 60)	↔
Notable Trends & Use Features	d. Increasing number of Asian members joining.			
Facility Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No identified needs • No open to partnerships with other users to increase shared use of facilities. 			
Strategic Context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 			
Proposed Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No proposed developments. 			

APPENDIX A: DEMOGRAPHICS

INSIGHT OVERVIEW

Information on features and changes in population, age-group and ethnicity compositions are presented overleaf. The main summary points distinguishing the 'Howick Local Board' area (with reference to the wider Auckland Region) are summarised below:

- At Census 2023 there were over 150,000 residents in the Howick Local Board area.
- Local population growth rates have been relatively low in recent years for Howick Local Board area overall, although areas around Ormiston and Mission Heights have been localised growth 'hotspots'.
- Current population projections do not point to strong population growth for Howick Local Board overall, although localised growth 'hotspots' are projected to continue for areas around Ormiston and Mission Heights, and to develop in areas around Pakuranga, Botany Central and Highland Park/Howick West.
- Currently, the highest future population growth projected locally appears to be in eastern areas around Ormiston.
- The Howick Local Board population had a broadly similar age-profile to the Auckland region but is projected to be 'aging' faster with most growth in the older age-groups and decline in the youngest.
- The ethnic diversity profile of the Howick Local Board area featured most notably a relatively high 'Asian' proportion, with projections indicating most growth in this Asian proportion which would be significantly predominant by 2043.
- Socioeconomic indices highlight relatively low socioeconomic deprivation across most of the Howick Local Board areas, suggesting a relatively higher financial capacity to engage in recreational activities and facility uses overall.

These points highlight a slowly growing and aging population with decline in youngest age-groups; growing Asian proportions; and relatively high-status socio-economic conditions overall.

CURRENT POPULATIONS & RECENT TRENDS

Table A.1 shows that over the last 20 years the population of the Howick Local Board area has been growing, although at a rate only slightly more than that for the overall Auckland Region.

TABLE A.1: POPULATION NUMBERS AND RECENT GROWTH.

	2013	2023	Change 2013-23	% Change	Approx %/yr
Howick Local Board	127,125	153,570	26,445	21	1.7
Auckland Region	1,415,550	1,656,486	240,936	17	1.4

Source: Statistics NZ Census 2023

While overall growth in the Howick Local Board area has been modest, there have been some higher growth-area 'hotspots' within. Table A.2 summarises the top-10 of these with areas of eastern Howick around Ormiston, Mission Heights and Baverstock being the most prominent.

TABLE A.2: RECENT POPULATION GROWTH HOTSPOTS IN HOWICK.

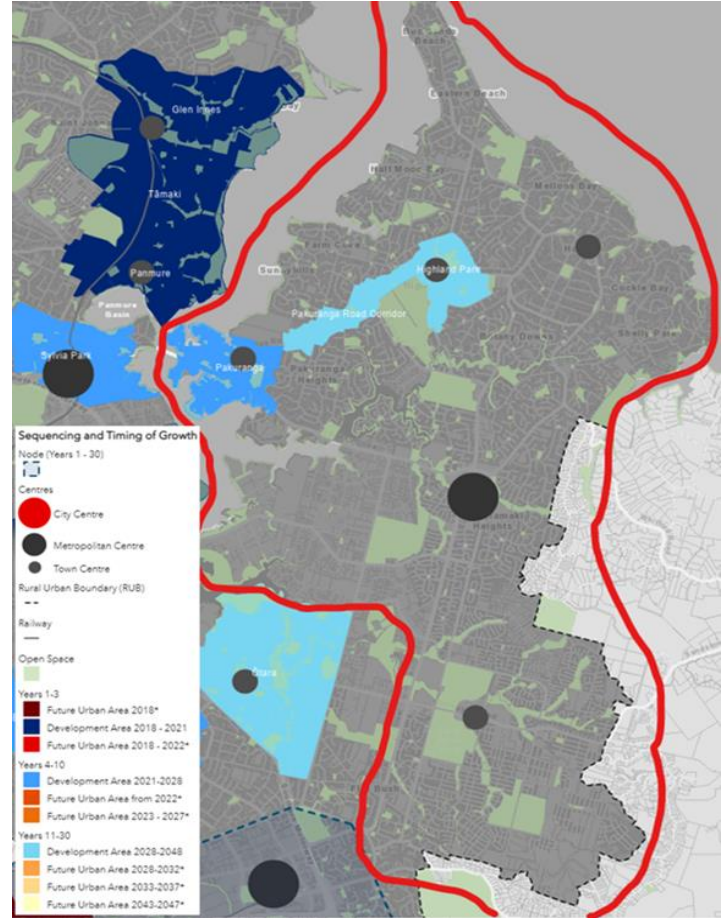
	2006	2018	change 2006-18	% change	approx % change/yr
Ormiston South	54	5,514	5,460	10,111	843
Mission Heights North	102	3,369	3,267	3,203	267
Mission Heights South	48	2,805	2,757	5,744	479
Baverstock	2013	3,990	1,977	98	8
Ormiston North	456	2,163	1,707	374	31
Ormiston East	159	876	717	451	38
Pakuranga West	3708	4323	615	17	1
Tuscany Heights	840	1443	603	72	6
East Tamaki Heights	2193	2751	558	25	2
Howick East	3096	3612	516	17	1

Source: Statistics NZ Census 2018

Looking forward, the Auckland Plan 2050 (Auckland Development Strategy) defines expected urban and residential growth areas across Auckland. Figure A.1 illustrates these planned growth areas in and around the Howick

Local Board area, comprising Pakuranga and towards Highland Park, and the anticipated development timings.

FIGURE A.1: PLANNED URBAN DEVELOPMENT AREAS AROUND HOWICK¹



Source: Auckland Development Strategy

¹ Refer Auckland Development Strategy interactive maps - <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/plans-projects-policies-reports-bylaws/our-plans-strategies/auckland-plan/Pages/interactive-map.aspx?ItemId=8&prev=Anticipated%20growth%20-%20where%20and%20when>
² From Auckland Council's Macro Strategic Model (MSM) population projection (Scenario I Modified, Version 11.6, 2020) which refines standard Statistics NZ projections by incorporating local planning and strategy factors to reflect likely localised population

These represent the focal areas of highest currently anticipated population and infrastructure development and growth in the Auckland Plan, with relatively low levels assumed elsewhere. Based on current conditions, plans and expectations the projected future population is summarised below in Tables A.3 (for the Howick Local Board) and A.4 (for more localised high-growth areas within) using the latest Auckland Council population projections². These use spatial units referred to as MSM (Macro Strategic Model) Zones, with the Table A.4 showing the approximate suburban alignments³ of these zones.

Firstly, Table A.3 shows that by 2051 the overall population of Howick Local Board area is projected to increase by around 30,000 residents at a rate of just under 1% per year. This was a lower rate than the 2% in previous years (Table A.1), and lower than the rate for Auckland overall.

TABLE A.3: PROJECTED POPULATION NUMBERS AND GROWTH (2022-2052)

	2022	2052	change 2022-52	% change	approx %/yr
Howick Local Board	153,290	178,299	19,755	13	0.4
Auckland Region	1,708,161	2,312,887	604,727	35	1.2

Source: Auckland Growth Scenario 2023 Version 1 (AGS23v1)

Within Howick the relative projected growth was higher in some more localised areas. Table A.4 (overleaf) summarises the highest growth areas (>1000 residents) of these using population projection data for the MSM Zones represented. It includes the names of the broadly corresponding Statistics NZ 'Statistical Area 2' (SA2) geographic units to provide indicative suburb referencing. This shows while most growth is projected to continue for the eastern Howick areas where there are more greenfield development opportunities (e.g., around Ormiston/ Mission Heights), notably high growth areas are also anticipated around the Pakuranga North/Central/West &

growth more accurately. These are used for the Council's Long-Term Plan, Infrastructure Strategy and Development Planning, subject to change from any future changes in planning decisions and directions. These projections preceded and do not take account of the decision to relocate the University from the Epsom Campus, and the future uses of the buildings/lands are not yet known.
³ MSM zones named to the nearest SA2 units (Statistical Area 2 Units) from Statistics NZ.

Sunnyhill areas; the Botany Central area; and the Highland Park/Howick West areas.

TABLE A.4: PROJECTED POPULATION BY MSM ZONES (>500 POP GAIN)

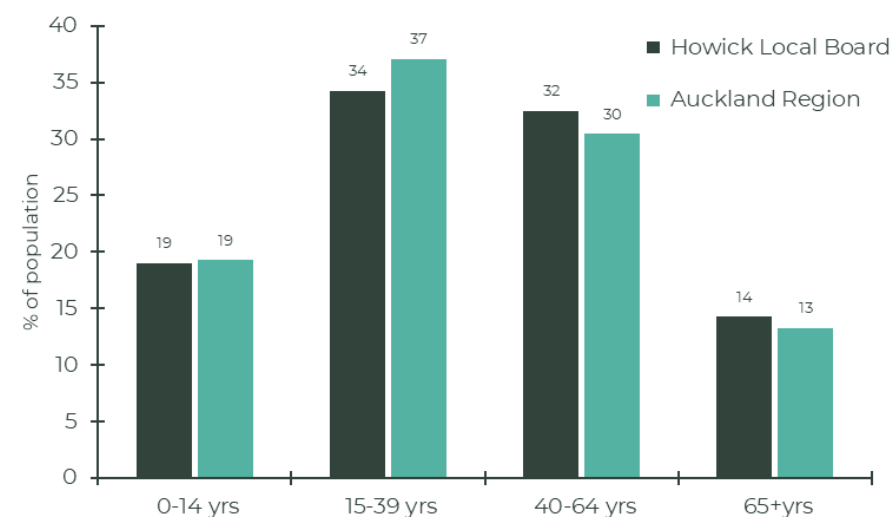
(MSM zone no. – approx SA2 unit name)	2022	2052	change 2022-52	% change	approx %/yr
444 - Ormiston East	3,690	4,280	11,318	7,038	164
419 - Botany Central	7,412	740	4,541	3,801	514
408 - Pakuranga North-Sunnyhills West	1,921	2,820	4,462	1,642	58
406 - Pakuranga West	3,076	3,380	4,723	1,343	40
439 - Ormiston North	5,165	2,250	3,535	1,285	57
446 - Mission Heights North	4,025	7,070	8,142	1,072	15
400 - Howick West	6,669	4,200	5,000	800	19
442 - Ormiston South-Hilltop	4,087	4,660	5,366	706	15
407 - Pakuranga Central	4,239	5,480	6,123	643	12
411 - Highland Park	3,452	3,510	4,152	642	18

Source: Source: Auckland Growth Scenario 2023 Version 1 (AGS23v1)

CURRENT & PROJECTED AGE PROFILES

Figure A.2 shows that at the 2023 Census the Howick Local Board population had a mostly similar summary age profile to the Auckland Region overall.

FIGURE A.2: SUMMARY AGE-GROUP PROFILE



Source: Statistics NZ Census 2023

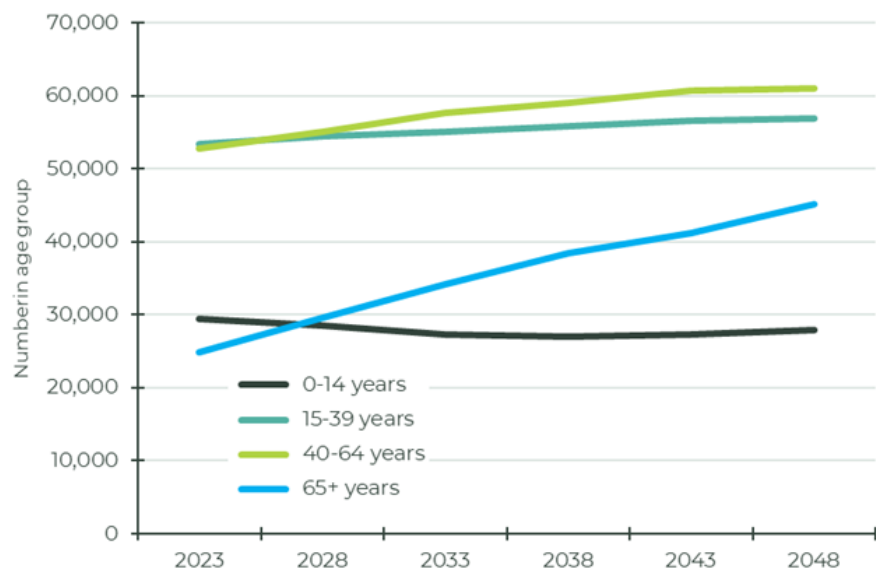
Looking forward the main feature of population age-group projections to 2048 is a strong aging pattern. Table A.5 and Figure A.3 below illustrate that the main change is that the older 65+ years age group is projected to have a large relative increase (82%), increasing in proportion from 15% of the population in 2023 to 24% in 2048. At the same time the youngest 0-14 years age-group is projected to decline (-6%). Figure A.3 illustrates the overall aging pattern this represents. By contrast the 0-14 years age-group for the Auckland Region population was projected to increase (27%).

TABLE A.5 PROJECTED HOWICK LOCAL BOARD POPULATION BY AGE-GROUP.

	2023	2048	change 2023-48	% change
0-14 years	29,520	27,860	-1,660	-6
15-39 years	53,380	56,870	3,490	7
40-64 years	52,790	61,030	8,240	16
65+ years	24,810	45,100	20,290	82
	160,500	190,900	30,400	19

Source: Statistics NZ Subnational population projections by age – 2018 base, updated)

FIGURE A.3: PROJECTED HOWICK LOCAL BOARD POPULATION BY AGE-GROUP.



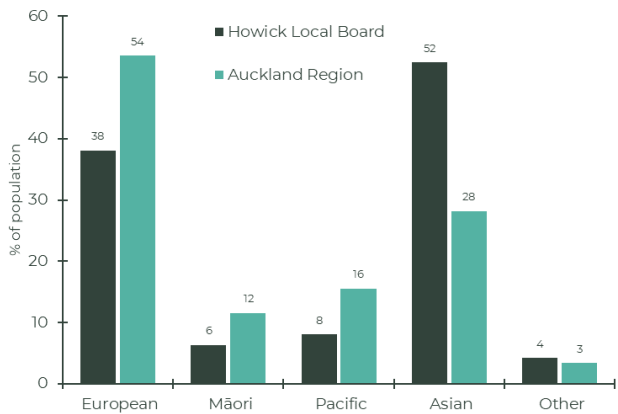
CURRENT & PROJECTED ETHNICITY PROFILES

Key characteristic feature of various Auckland area populations are typically diverse ethnicities. Figure A.3 shows the respective ethnic self-identity breakdowns of the Howick and Auckland populations. The Howick Local Board population differed most distinctly by having higher proportions of those identifying as 'Asian' (52% vs 28%) and lower proportions identifying as 'European' (38% vs 54%), 'Māori' (6% vs 12%) Another and 'Pacific' (6% vs 16%).

Overall, the Howick Local Board population had a relatively unique dual 'Euro-Asian'-dominant ethnic mix relative to the Auckland Region, with the proportion of Howick residents identifying with 'Asian' ethnicity exceeding that identifying as 'European'. Overall, the Howick Local Board population had a relatively unique dual 'Euro-Asian'-dominant ethnic mix relative to the Auckland Region. By 2023 the proportion of Howick residents identifying

with 'Asian' ethnicity was expected to exceed the proportion identifying as 'European'

FIGURE A.4: SUMMARY ETHNIC COMPOSITION (%) OF POPULATIONS (2018).⁴



Source: Statistics NZ Census 2023

Ethnicity projections for the next 20 years indicate the current high diversities in will continue to grow (Figure A.5, Table A.6). These projections feature ongoing high growth (46%) in the already high 'Asian' identity group, representing an increase from 53% of the Howick population in 2023 to 67% in 2043. The proportion identifying 'European' ethnicity declines from 41% in 2023 to 37% in 2043 (including a small growth in overall numbers). Pacific and Maori numbers increase a little, but low base numbers mean the proportional change is very low.

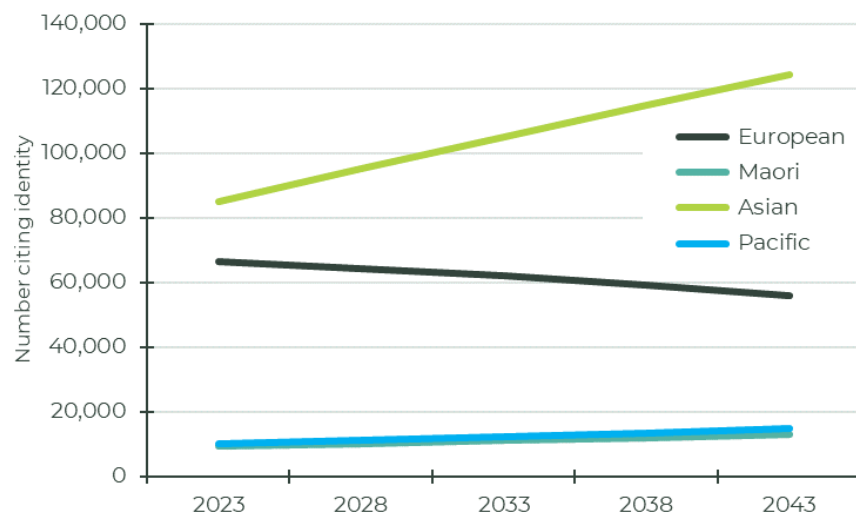
TABLE A.6: PROJECTED ETHNIC GROUP NUMBERS – HOWICK LOCAL BOARD

	2023	2043	change 2023-43	% change
European	66,300	56,000	-10,300	-16
Maori	9,370	12,850	3,480	37
Asian	84,900	124,200	39,300	46
Pacific	9,970	14,650	4,680	47
Total Population	160,500	185,900	25,400	16

Source: Statistics NZ Subnational population projections (2018 base, updated)

⁴ Note that total % can exceed 100% as more than one ethnic identity association can be specified in the Census.

FIGURE A.5: PROJECTED ETHNIC GROUP NUMBERS – HOWICK LOCAL BOARD



Related to these varied ethnicities can sometimes be the proportions of residents born overseas (Table A.7). Data from the 2018 census showed that over half (54%) of the Howick population were born overseas. This was a higher proportion than for the Auckland Region population (42%), and both areas had slightly higher overseas-born proportions than at the 2013 Census.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONTEXTS

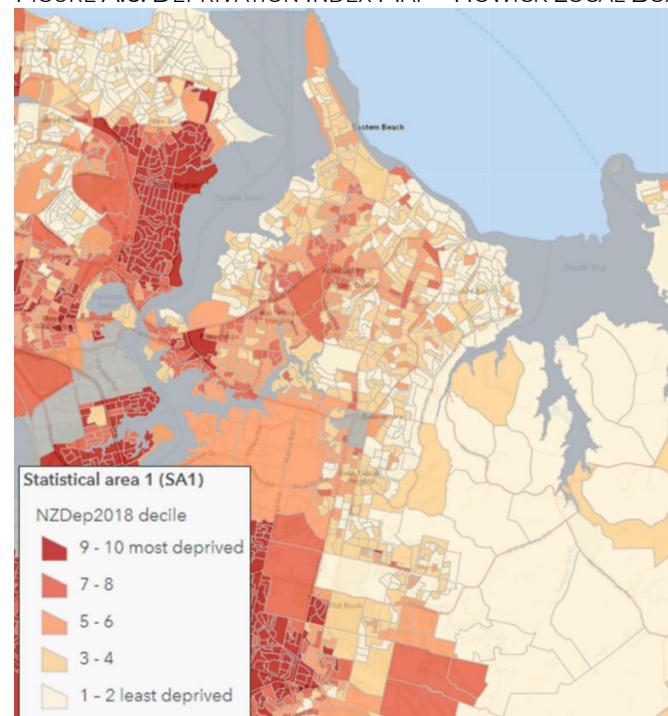
Key indicators of socio-economic conditions in a community are provided by socio-economic indexes. A number are derived from various sources of official statistics and the 'New Zealand Index of Deprivation (NZDep)' developed by Otago University is used here. This socio-economic indicator uses a combination of 9 Statistics NZ Census 2018 variables⁵ to assign relative deprivation scores to the fine-grained 2018 'Statistical Area 1' (SA1) units shown.

⁵ In summary these variables relate to the proportion of people in the area having no home internet access; means-tested benefits; below-threshold incomes; no employment; no qualifications; no home ownership; single-parent family situations; household over-occupancy, and high dwelling dampness/mould condition.

Key features shown in Figure A.6 are the relatively low levels of deprivation (lighter shades) across most of Howick with just some relatively more deprived areas around Pakuranga and Highland Park (darker shades).

These indicative results suggest only relatively low proportions of the Howick Local Board population local community may be experiencing moderate levels of socio-economic constraint. This indication is reinforced when comparing median personal income levels from Census 2018. Residents of the Howick Local Board area had slightly higher overall median individual incomes compared with those of the Auckland Region overall (\$34,900 vs \$34,400)⁶.

FIGURE A.6: DEPRIVATION INDEX MAP – HOWICK LOCAL BOARD AREA



Source: Department of Public Health, University of Otago, Wellington

⁶ For comparison the median personal incomes of residents in adjoining Local Board areas to Howick were \$25,000 (Otara-Papatoetoe); \$32,800 (Papakura); \$33,500 (Maungakiekie-Tamaki) and \$38,200 (Franklin).

APPENDIX B - ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

The following Local Board Sport and Active Recreation Plan project assessment criteria has been utilised to evaluate priority levels.

PRINCIPLE	DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	SUB-CRITERIA	%	CONSIDERATIONS
EQUITY	Investing to provide equity of outcomes across the population regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, socio-economic status or geography	40%	Children and young people 5-18 years	7.5	Targets engagement of tamariki and rangatahi
			Pacific People	7.5	Project reaches and encourages participation of Pacific communities
			Asian communities	7.5	Enables activation of Asian communities
			Female	7.5	Focus on enhancing female participation
			Deprivation areas	10	Focus on high socio-economic deprivation areas
			Māori focus	10	Māori-led project or high degree of Māori involvement likely to increase Māori participation
			Emerging sports	10	Targets new participants through new or emerging sports. Evidence of participation growth (actual numbers not percentage)
			High participation sports	10	Increases participation or maintains participation in already high participation sports.
			Gaps in provision	10	Fills an identified gap in provision - geographic gap, function gap, hierarchy gap
			Low provision	10	In an area of low existing provision or where high population growth will mean provision levels reduce
			Sustains critical provision	10	Development will ensure continuation of an existing facility which is critical to the current network
OUTCOME FOCUSED	Investing strategically to deliver maximum value for Aucklanders	30%	Strategic alignment	20	Strategically aligns and identified as priority within a Facility type: - Code Facility Plan - Community Facility Network Plan - Open Space Network Plan
			Impact on physical wellbeing	35	Number of people benefiting from project resulting from: - Projected participation/participant growth - New participants attracted - Removes barriers to participation
			Impact on social and community benefits	25	Enables communities to come together and improve community connectivity
			Impact on economic benefits	20	Provides economic benefits by supporting urban regeneration, place-making, employment generation, investment returns to community

PRINCIPLE	DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	SUB-CRITERIA	%	CONSIDERATIONS
ACHIEVABILITY	Investing in projects which can be achieved in the short-term	15%	Capability	20	Ability of the organisation to drive and achieve the project. Consider organisation status, track record, personnel, longevity
			Capital funding	40	Likelihood of raising capital funds required to achieve project. Some funding secured. Scale of funding gap. Strong Funding Plan identifies where funding can be realistically sourced
			Complexity	20	Degree of complexity in order to complete the project. Consider land ownership, resource consent, site contamination, access, multiple partners
			Leverage*	20	Ability to leverage other benefits or contributions e.g. land, pro-bono, project management, volunteers, funding from other sources
SUSTAINABILITY	Investing in facilities which can be sustained in the long-term	15%	Financial*	25	Ability for facility to cover operating and whole of life costs including future renewals
			Adaptability and flexibility*	25	Extent of facility to accommodate a range of activities, both now and into the future with flexible design.
			Utilisation*	25	Extent the facility will maximise the utilisation of the facility, through sharing facilities, partnerships, extended opening hours, enabling diversity of activities and driving revenue
			Accessibility*	25	The extent the facility will be accessible to the intended community, consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Financial accessibility/affordability - Physical accessibility i.e. universal design - Locational accessibility

*Denotes sub-criteria which are not used for planning projects and only apply to capital build projects (as more specific project information is known through feasibility studies and business cases).