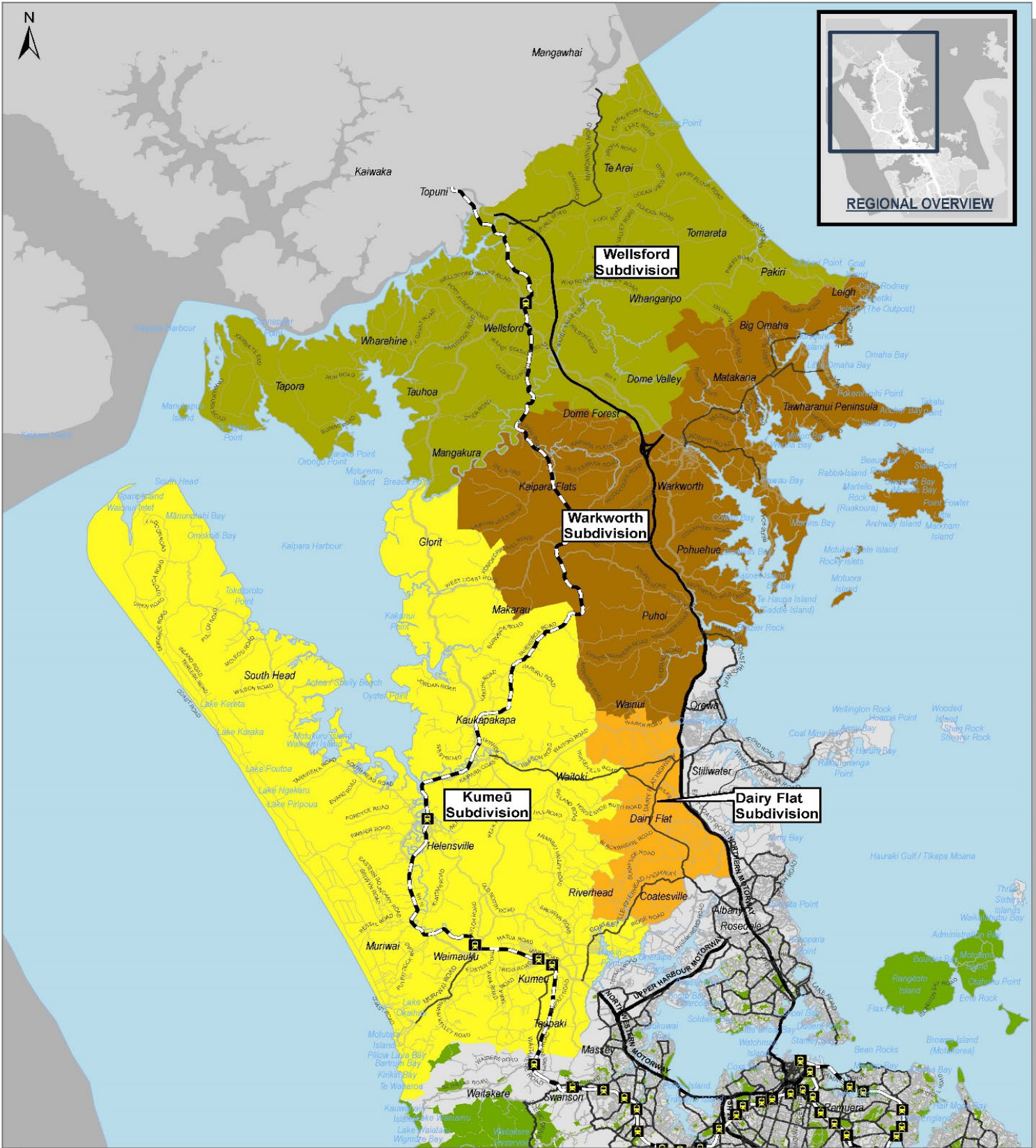


Rodney Local Board Achievement Report



November 2019 – May
2022





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Message from the chairperson

On behalf of the Rodney Local Board, I am very proud to introduce our Achievements Report for the 2019 – 2022 electoral term.

The COVID-19 pandemic has cast a long shadow over the term. We were completing the delivery of the previous local board plan, and finalising the new one, when the pandemic started. By mid-2020 council's finances were hit very hard and budgets were cut significantly. Capital spending, which is so important for a local board that has high population growth, was severely curtailed. It is fortunate that we decided to treat our 2020 local board plan as a progression of that previous one, because the financial situation we found ourselves in was challenging. Decisions made last term, such as the one to set our own targeted rate to directly fund investment in transport infrastructure, meant we were able to continue delivering for our community. We have focused on doing a few things well, trying to balance the needs of our rapidly growing communities with a diverse range of demands from rural and urban areas.

Our Transport Targeted Rate has delivered three new bus services. Two have been taken over by Auckland Transport due to their success. These bring public transport options to previously isolated rural communities. Thirty-five footpaths are either completed, underway, or in design in rural towns that have called for safer pedestrian links for many years. This term we will open the Warkworth Community Transport Hub providing a park and ride service for communities in this fast growing town, with a similar facility being investigated in Huapai. Through this programme we have approved \$46 million of transport infrastructure long requested by our community.

Town centres across Rodney have faced over a decade of underinvestment and it shows. We have moved to allocate more discretionary funding to address this very basic local board responsibility which is so important to our local businesses while they recover from the devastating effects of COVID restrictions. Over the coming years we hope both rural and urban residents will return to our town centres to enjoy a more pleasant experience when they visit local businesses.

We have invested in our environment through partnerships with farmers, landowners and highly committed volunteers. Our Healthy Harbours Fund has delivered over 200,000 square metres of riparian planting and thousands of metres of fencing to improve the quality of rivers and harbours. The local board has continued to support local volunteer groups with pest control across the Rodney region.

Finally, we have a fantastic team of staff serving our community. Despite the challenges of the pandemic they have still delivered on our core business of maintaining our parks and community facilities, while doing an incredible job of delivering some significant upgrades to public toilets, parks and playgrounds. Equally our governance advisors and support staff, Auckland Transport staff delivering on our transport targeted rate, and a host of others have worked under difficult circumstances to deliver our plans. This achievements report is a testament to their professionalism and dedication and we would like to give you our sincere thanks.

Phelan Pirrie

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phelan Pirrie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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Local board governance

Local board meetings

To date in the current term (November 2019 to 30 May 2022), the local board has held 35 public business meetings.

Given the significant geographical size of Rodney, the local board held their business meetings at the Warkworth Town Hall and Te Whare o Oranga, Parakai on alternate months. When New Zealand went into Level Four COVID-19 lockdown in April 2020 the meetings were held online. In June 2020 the Rodney Local Board resumed public facing meetings due to changes of alert levels until once again in August 2021 the country went back into lockdown with meetings remaining virtual since then.

Local board member attendance at workshops and business meetings is available on the Auckland Council website – [Local board members’ attendance at meetings](#)

Deputations and public forum

The local board welcomes deputations and public forum items at its business meetings. These are a three to 10-minute opportunity to present to the local board on any topic that members of the community feel the local board need to be aware of. Over the term the local board has received 71 presentations. The presentations have been a great opportunity for the community to garner support for their community-led projects, clearly outline views or make the local board aware of community concern.

The topics raised with the local board have varied widely from recycling centres to age-friendly studies. The local board has welcomed presentations by community groups like Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust, Mahurangi Trail Society and the Silverdale Pony Club who provided updates on their groups activities. The local board has also heard from passionate individuals providing updates or requesting support for specific projects like the Warkworth Cement Works to a proposal to develop a premium golf course and sports academy at Muriwai.

Deputations and public forum items are an important part of the democratic process allowing Rodney Local Board residents the opportunity to be heard by the entire local board on almost any topic. These presentations are always a highlight for local board members who value this contact with their communities. A list of deputations and public forum can be found at Appendix A.

Local board member appointments

Throughout the term the Governing Body confirmed a number of appointments as follows:

Appointments by the Governing Body involving local board members	
Te Poari o Kaipātiki ki Kaipara (formerly the Parakai Recreation Reserve Board)	Member Pirrie
Kaipara Moana Remediation Governance Partnership	Member Pirrie (July 2020 - July 2021) Member Hancock (August 2021 - April 2022)
Kaipara Moana Joint Working Party	Member Pirrie

Local board members are also appointed by the local board to external organisations as follows:

Appointments to external organisations	
Redvale Landfill Community Liaison	Member Johnston
Northwest District Business Improvement District	Member Kenny (Alternate Member Bailey)
One Mahurangi Business Association	Member Houlbrooke
Puhoi to Pakiri Paths and Trails Leadership Group	Member Garner (Alternate Member Houlbrooke)
Local Government New Zealand Representative	Member Houlbrooke

Members are also appointed to internal working groups as follows:

Appointments in internal council working groups	
Rural Advisory Panel	Member Bailey
Auckland Council Hauraki Gulf Political Reference Group	Member Houlbrooke
Waste Political Advisory Group	Member Johnston
Weed Management Advisory Group	Member Johnston
Auckland Governance Political Working Party	Member Pirrie

The Rodney Local Board appoint project leads. Being a project lead allows members to pursue particular priorities and initiatives of the local board without the need to require staff or officers to meet with the entire local board in a formal setting. This is aimed to speed up projects while ensuring good lines of communication exist. The Rodney Local Board has appointed the following project leads this term:

Appointments as project leads	
Green Road	Member Johnston
Huapai Indoor Multisport Facility (OLI ¹)	Member Pirrie
Kumeū-Huapai Centre Plan	Member Bailey
Warkworth Town Centre Plan	Member Houlbrooke
Helensville Town Centre	Member Kenny
Kaukapakapa Town Centre	Member Hancock
Transport Targeted Rate	Member Pirrie

¹ One Local Initiative: Funds allocated by the Governing Body to a local board priority project in alignment with the Long-term Plan 2018-2028.

Working with other local boards

Rodney Local Board is unique due to its extensive landmass and large number of independent communities. However, the synergies of working with other local boards dealing with similar challenges are recognised. With this in mind, the local board continues to meet with the Franklin Local Board to discuss ways of advocating for rural issues to be better addressed, such as the challenges facing our local board areas due to coastal erosion, freedom camping, and compliance and enforcement in the rural context.

Rodney Local Board members attend regular briefings with elected members from other local boards. These meetings provide an opportunity for elected members from various local boards to meet and discuss common areas of interest or matters of concern, and receive briefings from council staff on work currently under consideration, such as the review of a bylaw.

Feedback into local and central government plans, policies and bylaws

Advocacy is a key part of the local board's role, ensuring that regional plans and policies are relevant on a local level. This term there has been a significant amount of time spent providing feedback into regional plans, policies, strategies, bylaws, submissions to central government and other matters. A summary of items to which the local board provided feedback can be found at Appendix B.

Delivery framework

Local board plan

All local board plans (LBP) for each of the 21 local boards in the great Auckland region cover a three year period, aligning with Auckland Council's financial year.

The LBP reflects community priorities and preferences, established via ongoing and targeted engagement and consultation, and guides local board activity, funding and investment decisions. This includes local board input into regional strategies and plans, and the development of Council's 10-year budget.

Each outcome in the plan has a list of objectives to work towards, which then contain one or more initiatives. The projects, tasks, and actions that are identified in 'locally' delivered Auckland Council and council-controlled organisation (CCO) work programmes all relate in some way back to these.

You can find the [Rodney Local Board Plan 2020](#) on the Auckland Council website.

Local board agreements (annual budget)

Each year in June, the governing body approves Auckland Council's annual budget. Contained within the annual budget are 21 local board agreements. Each local agreement contains the annual budget of each local board.

The available budget impacts on how local board annual work programmes are developed.

Local board budgets

In practice, the overall budget of a local board is made up of specific, smaller budgets, which serve different purposes. In the Rodney Local Board area, these budgets are:

Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) Operating Expenditure: This can be used to fund local projects or programmes through council or the community. The local board can decide how much and where it allocates funds.

Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) Capital Expenditure: This provides a fund for local boards to purchase assets and/ or deliver small asset-based projects. LDI Capital Expenditure is managed over three years. The local board can use its entire three-year allocation for one project or spread it between multiple projects.

Asset Based Services (ABS) Operating Expenditure and Capital Expenditure: This is often described as a 'non-discretionary' budget, because how much it is and where it goes is already determined by the costs of running the assets in the local board area. It primarily supports financing, renting and maintaining assets, as well as staff costs associated with delivering services from those assets

The Capital Transport Fund: The local board transport capital fund is a capital budget provided to all local boards by Auckland Council and delivered by Auckland Transport (AT). Local boards can use this fund to deliver transport infrastructure projects that they believe are important but are not part of AT's work programme. Projects must also be safe, not impede network efficiency and be in the road corridor (although projects running through parks can be considered if there is a transport outcome).

Local targeted rate: Local boards can impose a local targeted rate to fund specific local initiatives. The Rodney Local Board has a Transport Targeted Rate to pay for public transport, build footpaths and establish park and ride facilities. The \$150 annual rate is collected from all Rodney Local Board ratepayers by Auckland Council, and the programme is delivered by Auckland Transport on behalf of the local board.

Annual work programme

Local boards approve an annual work programme, in which they make decisions about what projects and activities to fund.

Projects and activities can be annual, or take place over a series of years where the local board recognises the ongoing value of repeating its commitment over time. The overall design of the work programme reflects the opportunities and constraints identified by:

- the intent of the local board, as expressed in the local board plan
- the budget of the local board, as expressed in the local board agreement
- the ability of departments to deliver on the above, as expressed in the work programme process
- local boards may also need to respond to advice received around operational considerations
- availability of resources, i.e. staff or delivery resource
- likelihood of delivery
- priority of projects and activities with the overall budget.

With the above in mind some changes of direction may be expected from one year to the next. The test is whether progress can be seen, and whether the community's aspirations are being responded to. The annual work programmes are updated and reported back to the local board on a quarterly basis.

Programme delivery

The following council staff teams deliver elements of the local board work programme:

Customer and Community Services (Community Facilities, Connected Communities, Arts, Events Facilitation, Leases, Libraries, Parks, Sports and Recreation, Service and Asset Planning); Infrastructure and Environmental Services; Finance; Māori Outcomes Delivery; Plans and Places and Auckland Emergency Management.

Auckland Transport delivers the Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate projects and projects utilising the Local Board Capital Transport Fund.

A summary of projects and community leases that have been delivered this term can be found at Appendix C.

The impact of COVID-19

In 2020 Tamaki Makaurau was subject to COVID-19 driven alert level restrictions, which were ongoing at various times throughout 2020 and 2021.

Auckland Council's 2020 emergency budget restricted and/or reduced local board capital budgets, and ongoing lockdowns throughout 2021 increased strain on the delivery of programmes. Where possible, programmes moved online. Activities such as parks mowing, repairs and maintenance and new projects experienced delays, but were able to resume once alert levels dropped back to level 3.

Local board meetings also moved online, and many planned events on the local board's work programme were cancelled, postponed or changed.

Responding to aspirations and priorities for Māori

The Māori Responsiveness Framework in the Auckland Plan (Whiria Te Muka Tangata) sets out council's commitments and obligations to Māori. Building relationships with Māori, establishing partnerships to support common aspirations and increasing Aucklanders' understanding of Māori and their needs and aspirations are important ways to demonstrate and realise our commitments to Māori.

The local board work programme forms on part of Auckland Council's response to aspirations and priorities for Māori. It does not reflect a complete range of council activities. Within the local board work programme there is also some cross-over into other parts of the local board plan focusing more directly on the environment, sustainability, the arts, local parks, and heritage.

Local board plan outcomes

Outcome one: Safe, improved transport options connect our communities		
Objective	Key initiatives	Status
Our roads are safe and well-maintained and have the capacity to meet the demand of users	<p>Improve road safety and maintenance by advocating to the Governing Body to ring-fence budgets in the Long-term Plan 2021-2031 for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$121 million for Auckland Transport's Unsealed Roads Improvement Programme to improve unsealed roads through strengthening and other methods • an increase of funding that allows Auckland Transport to renew and maintain at least 12 per cent of Auckland's sealed roads in any given year • continued budget allocation to road safety for Rodney as part of Auckland Transport's Vision Zero programme 	Continue to advocate - ongoing
	Make roads and footpaths through villages and towns safer for non-vehicle users with tools such as electronic speed-indication signs and safer road crossings	Individual projects being implemented
	Advocate to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to enhance safety and address congestion on state highways	Continue to advocate - ongoing
Public transport is a viable option for getting around	Advocate for, or fund, further improvements and the expansion of Rodney bus services, including park-and-rides, dedicated bus ways, additional routes and stops, weekend services on busier routes, and higher frequency on busy routes	In progress as part of the Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate
	Advocate for good public transport provision in new development areas	In progress - ongoing

	Advocate to extend Auckland Transport’s Western Rail Line service to Huapai	Continue to advocate
Our communities are well connected by safe and accessible footpaths, cycleways, trails and bridleways	Advocate for and support the delivery of walkways, trails and bridleways, as guided by our greenways plans, to better connect our rural areas with local villages, and to increase safety – ensuring that any new developments and subdivisions are also connected to this network	In progress - ongoing

Key Highlights:

Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate

The expected 10-year, \$46 million Rodney Local Board Targeted Rate fund is now fully allocated four years into the 10-year programme across the following initiatives:

- establishment of the 998-bus route between Wellsford and Warkworth
- establishment of the 126-bus route between Westgate and Albany
- establishment of the 128-bus route between Helensville and Silverdale
- installation of two new bus stops on the Coatesville-Riverhead Highway
- approved \$24.07 million to design and 35 priority footpath projects across the four subdivisions since December 2020. If laid end-to-end the total length would be 10.5 kilometres of new pedestrian access
- completed the Warkworth Community Transport Hub and settled on a preferred location to deliver a similar facility in Huapai.

The 998 and 126 bus services have since met external funding requirements and from June 2022 will be fully funded by Auckland Transport as part of the Auckland Transport network.

Local Board Transport Capital Fund

The Rodney Local Board approved expenditure from the Local Board Transport Capital Fund to progress the following projects within each of the four subdivisions. Several of these projects are already in the design and investigation phase.

- **Warkworth**
Warkworth Primary School raised crossing/traffic calming, Mansel Drive Raised pedestrian crossing, Leigh School Kea crossing/school zone signage, Puhoi Village red carpet, Puhoi Village electronic speed monitor, Omaha Causeway electronic speed monitor, Point Wells Village traffic calming measures as identified in the Point Wells village plan.
- **Kumeū**
Kaipara Coast Highway, Kaukapakapa pedestrian crossing outside the school, Taupaki Road pedestrian crossing outside Harry James Reserve, Motutara Road Drive feedback signs, Coast Road safety improvement investigation, Matua Road/Tapu Road intersection safety improvements.

- **Wellsford**
Raised zebra crossing on Rodney Street outside the library.
- **Dairy Flat**
Coatesville/Riverhead Highway pedestrian crossing outside the shops.

Outcome two: Our natural environment is healthy and protected

Objective	Key initiatives	Status
We have good water quality in our streams, rivers and harbours	Improve water quality in our waterways and reduce the effects of climate change by restoring freshwater ecosystems through riparian fencing and planting, and sediment reduction, delivering benefits such as flood mitigation, habitat for native biodiversity, and carbon sequestration	In progress - ongoing with substantial investment of \$250,000 being made each year
	Advocate to improve stormwater and wastewater infrastructure	Ongoing
Our natural environment is clean and healthy with thriving ecosystems	Improve our local biodiversity and natural environment by partnering with mana whenua and supporting community groups and schools, and by advocating for regional and national funding to eradicate pest plants, and animals, and pathogens and to carry out restoration work	In progress - ongoing
	Support the community, and community resource recovery and recycling centres, to minimise waste, turn waste into resources, and to promote education on waste reduction	In progress - ongoing
	Identify offset mitigation projects that respond to development in the local board area to provide opportunities for riparian enhancement and improved water quality	Ongoing
	Ensure any local board-funded and permitted events are managed to minimise waste	Ongoing
	Advocate for council compliance and regulatory requirements to be adhered to and enforced to protect our environment,	In progress - ongoing investment being made

and where appropriate, support activities to exceed statutory requirements	
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Key Highlights:

Rodney Local Board Healthy Harbours Waterways Fund

The Rodney Local Board Healthy Harbours Waterways Fund is a local board-funded grant scheme. The fund has provided \$1,312,000 (including contractor costs) to help landowners, iwi and community groups fence and plant waterways and wetlands. This has been matched funded by the recipients themselves with funding or labour, resulting in more than \$2 million in restoration work. The 50/50 cost-sharing fund supports the protection, enhancement or restoration of streams, rivers, wetlands, coastal and riparian margin. The project has also:

- decreased significantly, sediment and other contaminants in Rodney waterways
- supported farmers to comply with the Resource Management Act and Auckland Unitary Plan rules to fence of stock from waterways
- supported community groups, iwi and farmers to undertake significant, lasting improvements to their land, benefiting positively water quality
- increased environmental knowledge among farmers and landowners
- supported local employment of fencers, nursery workers and farm workers.

Additionally, the local board was able to engage the help of its iwi partner, Te Uri o Hau, and their nursery in Te Arai for the supply of thousands of native plants to contribute to the scheme. The Healthy Harbours Fund has been a perfect complement to wider regional and national efforts to address the quality of our waterways.

Restore Rodney East and Rodney West coordinators

The Rodney Local Board has funded a facilitator role to support and enable landscape-scale community restoration activities in eastern Rodney from (from the Waiwera River up to Te Arai, bounded to the west by Ara Tūhono and State Highway One). Over 500 volunteer hours have been invested into Restore Rodney East. Over 200 traps for rates, mustelids and possums have been provided to the community and over 500 animal pests have been caught in the buffer area around the Tara Iti Wildlife Sanctuary. Rodney West coordinators were established to enable, expand and enhance community conservation action throughout Rodney West so biodiversity can flourish. The coordinators support five different groups, South Kaipara Landcare, Manu in the Ville, Pest Free Waiumaku, Predator Free Muriwai and Pest Free Kumeū-Huapai.

Pest Free Coatesville

Pest Free Coatesville has the vision of protecting, restoring and connecting the Coatesville landscape so native species including the North Island brown kiwi can flourish. To date 2,500 hours have been invested into the programme with 3,614 pest animals trapped.

Outcome three: Infrastructure and development meets the needs of our growing communities

Objective	Key initiatives	Status
<p>Our villages and towns retain their individual character and heritage aspects, and development is sympathetic to the natural and existing built environment</p>	<p>Support enhancement projects for growth areas, including Dairy Flat, Helensville, Kumeū-Huapai, Warkworth and Wellsford</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>Deliver village centre improvements for rural villages such as Matakana, Puhoi, Riverhead and Kaukapakapa</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>Develop a centre plan for Warkworth</p>	<p>In progress - ongoing</p>
	<p>Continue to deliver the Kumeū-Huapai Centre Plan including enhancing the Kumeū River’s ecology and people’s access to it, and by working with landowners and developers to improve the look of the town centre</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>Advocate for improved design standards for roading, cycling and pedestrian networks in subdivisions in countryside living zones, and rural and coastal towns, that reflect the character and needs of the local area</p>	<p>Continue to advocate</p>
	<p>Advocate for changes to the Unitary Plan to give better direction on design standards for transport networks for subdivisions in countryside living zones, and rural and coastal towns</p>	<p>Continue to advocate</p>
<p>Our business communities are resilient, and have a positive outlook, having withstood the economic impact of COVID-19</p>	<p>Support local business communities, business associations and business improvement districts (BIDs) to thrive, including the Wellsford business community to meet the challenges of the SH1 extension bypass to Te Hana</p>	<p>On hold due to central government timelines</p>
	<p>Encourage businesses to increase environmentally sustainable practices, such as minimising waste and reducing energy consumption</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

Our facilities and infrastructure meet the needs of our growing communities	Take predicted sea level rises and climate change into account when delivering marine and coastal facilities in Rodney's coastal areas	Ongoing
	Develop our town centres, parks and facilities so they are fit for the future while protecting the natural environment as we grow	Ongoing
	Advocate for the consideration of 14 Baxter Street, Warkworth as a key site to support the future revitalisation of Warkworth's town centre	Continue to advocate
	Work with mana whenua and agencies such as Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, Auckland Transport and Panuku to continue to optimise public spaces to create focal points for our community	Ongoing

Key highlights:

Te Puawai Kowhai - the blooming of the kowhai

The area between the Warkworth Library and the Masonic Hall was transformed with this community inspired project - Te Puawai Kowhai (the blooming of the kowhai). Developed to connect the town to the river it includes shaded seating with a picnic area and a drinking fountain, including Whakatauki proverbs on the wide concrete platforms leading down to the awa. Mana whenua were involved in the design from the outset and this is reflected in the beautiful artwork and the overall look and feel of Te Puawai Kowhai. This was a special project for the Ngāti Manuhiri trust, being the first public space in Warkworth designed in partnership with them. After initially being held up by COVID-19, the space was completed and opened in June 2021. A welcome addition to the Warkworth town, the library used this space over the summer months for small events and people can regularly be found enjoying the stunning views over the river.

Huapai Hub

The Huapai Hub is a multi-purpose community gathering space in the heart of Huapai/Kumeū. It was originally envisaged as a play space for older children but after extensive consultation with young people and the wider community it was decided that a flexible multi-use space would meet everybody's needs better. The design process involved the community and the urban design consultants working in close partnership right from the outset with every element of the space being informed by community input. The end result is a large attractive outdoor space with a big covered stage, lots of seating and new planting. This sets the scene for concerts, market days and many other events which will breathe new life into the centre of the town.

Outcome four: Our communities are resilient and have access to what they need

Objective	Key initiatives	Status
Our communities are strong and resilient	Support communities to deliver community projects and events, and to work collaboratively with council and other key stakeholders	Ongoing
	Develop partnerships and projects with mana whenua that respond to and further their aspirations	Ongoing
	Support community initiatives that will increase self-sufficiency skills and encourage sharing of resources at the local level	Ongoing
	Ensure strategically located halls and community centres can be used by our communities in times of difficulty	Ongoing
	Advocate for reliable, fast and affordable broadband connections for all our communities	Ongoing
	Work with our local communities and emergency response specialists on the best way to support communities in an emergency	In progress - ongoing
Council facilities cater to local needs and are well used by their communities	Support libraries to promote community connectedness through targeted activities	Ongoing - Our five Rodney libraries at Helensville, Kumeū, Mahurangi East, Warkworth and Wellsford are running well. The local board also continues to provide funds to volunteer libraries at Leigh and Point Wells.
	Provide our rural hall committees with governance and organisational support to enhance rural halls as gathering places for our rural communities	In progress - ongoing

	Support our arts centres to enable a flourishing local arts scene	Ongoing
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Key highlights:

Coastguard Kaipara lease at Shelly Beach

In August 2020, the local board granted Coastguard Kaipara Incorporated a new landowner approval and agreement to lease to enable it to fundraise, seek and obtain all necessary regulatory consents and construct its new marine rescue centre on land situated at the end of Springs Road, Parakai. Coastguard Kaipara provides off-water safety presentations to local schools, boating clubs, marae and community groups. They have also teamed up with Drowning Prevention Auckland, brought on Atlas Concrete as a major sponsor, held Kaipara Harbour Bar crossing education seminars and attended local school agricultural days. The new location at the end of Springs Road Parakai, offers Coastguard Kaipara the ability for faster response times due to being significantly closer to the mouth of the Kaipara River. The Springs Road site has a near new, all tide boat ramp and wharf facility.

Wellsford District Community Centre Activation

An activation coordinator was engaged to develop new programmes and activities for the local community in Wellsford. This role is based at the Wellsford District Community Centre. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, usage in the past year has grown significantly with an annual calendar of new programmes on offer to the community. This includes digital literacy and support, family movie nights, community dinners, recycling and repair workshops, discos and revitalisation of the local drama club. Planning is underway for a youth club, community gardens and better community use of the commercial kitchen. The community is also starting to use the centre more to run their own activities and events.

Outcome five: Our local parks and recreation facilities meet the needs of our growing community		
Objective	Key initiatives	Status
Our communities have great local options for indoor and outdoor sport and recreation that provide opportunities for all ages and abilities	Support the delivery of the Kumeū-Huapai indoor courts facility and a multi-sport facility in Warkworth	Ongoing
	Continue to develop and deliver plans for key parks such as Wellsford Centennial Park and Green Road in Dairy Flat	In progress – ongoing investment being made
	Deliver the outcomes identified in the Green Road master plan	In progress - ongoing

	Build playgrounds, particularly in growing areas, focusing on shade, shelter and play for all abilities	In progress – ongoing investment being made
	Work with mana whenua to integrate Māori design in our local parks and facilities, and find ways to include Māra Hūpara (traditional Māori playground) in our play spaces	Ongoing. Worked in collaboration with Ngati Manuhiri to incorporate Māra Hūpara within the Shoemith Reserve playground
Our regional parks provide great recreation opportunities and meet the needs of our communities and visitors	Advocate for more investment in regional parks in our local board area to meet the pressures of growth and tourism	Ongoing
The environment and ecology of our parks are well cared for	Continue to support volunteers working on weed and pest control and other restoration work in our parks, reserves and public land	In progress – ongoing investment being made

Key Highlights:

Green Road Masterplan

The Green Road Masterplan was adopted by the Rodney Local Board in October 2021. The local board considered ideas raised by the community and included those consistent with the park's early establishment phase into the masterplan. A partnership with mana whenua has embedded Māori outcomes in the plan to guide the development of the park. The masterplan is aspirational and will assist the local board and community groups with identifying and securing funding for implementation. The masterplan will build the foundations for a destination park in response to the park's significant size and in order to future-proof the park for likely residential and business growth in the surrounding area.

Appendices

Appendix A: Deputations and public forum

Organisation / Person	Purpose
Jon Tate and Tina Earl – Warkworth Cement Works	Introduced vision for the conservation of the old Warkworth Cement Works
Tina Earl	Provided an update on the old Warkworth Cement Works
Brian Sutton – Wilks Road Landowners Group	Discussed concerns regarding the draft Silverdale West – Dairy Flat Structure Plan
Claire McDonald – Warkworth Stories	Introduced Warkworth Stories – Audio Stories Tour and plan to install signage in and around Warkworth to facilitate audio tours of Warkworth
Mary Logan	Petitioned for additional bus stops in Coatesville
Conan Christmas and Piet Tuinder – Ngati Manuhiri	Introduced themselves as the new CEO and Kaitiaki Manager (respectively)
Trish Allen and Matthew Luxon – Mahurangi Wastebusters	Discussed new community recycling centres at Laurie Road and Rustybrook Road
Matthew Luxon – Mahurangi Wastebusters	Updated the board on two community recycling centres at Laurie Road and Rustybrook Road
Pam Mitchell and Cherie Jourdain – Animal Refuge	Discussed the location of an animal refuge within the community
Jenni Marsh and Gillian Williams	Discussed the installation of basketball hoops in Tuna Place, Omaha
Bruce Coombes – Omaha Beach Residents Society	Discussed the installation of basketball hoops at the courts in Tuna Place, Omaha
Andrea Hegan and Chris Ward – Silverdale Pony Club	Provided an update on activities
Katherine Wilson – North-West Toy Library	Provided an overview of the toy library
Sam Ryburn and John Stevens – Kaipara Flats Sports Club	Discussed expanding clubrooms
Campbell Reelick, Santiago Daniel and William Xu – Kristin School	Discussed installation of lighting at the Helensville skate park
Frances Swann and Julie James – Helensville Budgeting Service Incorporated and Helensville Foodbank	Provided a service update
Grant Fahey and Sean Connolly – Fulton Hogan Developments	Provided an update on the Milldale subdivision
Kay Elliott	Discussed the 128 bus service timetable
Chris and Sarah Lloyd	Discussed Hull Road, Waitoki – seasonal closure
North-West Country Incorporated	Provided their Annual Report 2019/2020

Claire Tierney – Auckland Animal Shelters	Discussed the proposal as part of the Emergency Budget to either close the Silverdale or Henderson Animal shelter / dog pound
Russell Cullen – Pest Free Warkworth	Introduced Pest Free Warkworth to the board
Gary Langridge – Pest Free Coatesville	Updated the board regarding the Pest Free Coatesville Strategy 2020
Colin Binstead, Dave Macleod and Dean Iverson – Mahurangi College	Discussed the establishment of a living classroom
Christina Merrick and students – Mahurangi College	Provided an update on the Living Classrooms Programmes
Mark Macky and Murray Chapman	Discussed the One Warkworth Business Association
Wellsford Community Voices	Provided the Wellsford Community Voices Community Plan
Isabella Sullivan and Grass Esposti – Big Buzz event 2021	Introduced Big Buzz event 2021
Caroline Milner – Wellsford Community Voices	Provided a Wellsford Community Voices update
John Collins, Martin Evans and Robert Howell – Friends of Awa Matakana	Discussed the protection of the waterways of the Glen Eden and Matakana Rivers and the Sandspit Estuary
John Collins and Martin Evans – Friends of Awa Matakana	Discussed excess sedimentation
Alexander Longuet-Higgins and Cheri Wright – Matakana Pony Club	Provided an update on activities
Tania Hamilton – Wellsford Plus	Provided an overview of Wellsford Plus and the Wellsford Santa parade
Gary Heaven – Mahurangi Trail Society	Introduced the new Mahurangi Trail Society
Sadra Saffari – Earth Beat Aotearoa	Introduced the Earth Beat Festival at Ātiu Creek Regional Park
Tony and Jenny Enderby – Warkworth Area Forest and Bird	Provided an overview of the Leigh Penguin Project and the Little Blue Penguin / Kororā Project (Te Point to Goat Island)
Marie Ward – Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust	Provided an update on the ongoing protection of the shorebirds that inhabit Omaha Spit and the Whangateau Harbour
Tracey Tristram – Forest Bridge Trust	Provided an update on their activities
Caroline Milner, Collen Wright and Herby Skipper – Curry’s Bush reserve Wahoroa Project	Introduced the Curry’s Bush Reserve Wahoroa Project
David Hay, Cindy Hao and Bill Endean	Provided an overview of the proposed Warkworth South Plan Change
Dave Parker and Sara Napier	Provided an overview of the proposed Warkworth Heritage Groups concept

Nicola Jones – Mahurangi Sport and Recreation Collective	Updated the board on the activities of the organisation and its sports facilities
Mr and Mrs Perrott	Discussed concerns regarding request for the temporary closure of a paper road to mitigate Kauri Dieback
Ross Webber	Discussed draining and maintenance issues on South Head Road
Steven Law	Discussed various matters at four separate meetings
Georgina Connelly, Jonathan Rishworth, Ben Hita and Joseph Kapea – Te Uri o Hau Settlement Trust	Updated the board on the trust’s priorities and activities
Linda Clapham and Clyde Tukaiaora – Te Hana Charitable Trust	Introduced the trust and cultural centre’s history and background
Linda Clapham, Ben Hita, Joseph Kapea – Te Hana Charitable Trust	Provided an update on the trust’s activities
Roger Williams and Gary Heaven – Matakana Coast Trail Trust	Discussed the lapsing designations at the Warkworth boat yard
Sue Crockett – Fight the Tip Tiaki te Whenua Incorporated	Discussed the proposed landfill in the Dome Valley
Geoff Upson	Discussed roading issues and speed limits
Richard Fallas and Simon Austen-Smith – North Shore Model Aero Club Inc	Introduced the organisation and its history
Mark Dinnis and Emma McKenzie – Snells Beach Ratepayers and Residents Association	Introduced their organisations and aspirations to support the survival of endangered shorebirds
Marie-Louise Ward – Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust	Provided up update on the ongoing protection of the shorebirds that inhabit Omaha Spit
Marie-Louise Ward and Colin Binstead – Omaha Shorebird Protection Trust	Introduced their organisations and aspirations to support the survival of endangered shorebirds
April Peter and Ray Lambert – Northland Waste	Discussed Auckland Council’s kerbside refuse charging mechanism policy review
Tim Armitage and Tracey Tristram – Restore Rodney East	Introduced the Restore Rodney East Strategic Plan and value from the strategy
Mike Newland – Bowls Warkworth	Discussed proposed relocation of the bowling club
Mike Newland and Francois Loubser – Bowls Warkworth	Shared vision for a relocated and renewed bowling facility at Workworth and provided a verbal update on a new location for the bowling club
Ryan Brandeburg	Discussed proposed golf development at Muriwai Downs Farm

Bill Foster – Northern Action Group	Discussed improving engagement and promoting Rodney’s interests within Auckland Council
Dr Sara Napier – Warkworth Age-friendly study	Introduced the Warkworth Age-friendly Survey report
Marco Scuderi – Helensville Solar Farm proposal	Discussed issues regarding the Helensville Solar Farm proposal
Karyne Ross, Lynette Gubb and Anita Coy-Macken – Netball Rodney Centre	Discussed aspirations for netball court improvements at Wellsford Centennial Park
Joshua Hill	Discussed the lack of bus services within Kumeū
Clayton Wakefield – Te Araroa Auckland Trust	Provided an overview of aspects of the trail and what it means for the Rodney area
Caroline Milner	Spoke in support of the proposed new Rodney Street, Wellsford footpath
Annie Sulway	Spoke in support of the proposed new Rodney Street, Wellsford footpath

Appendix B: Summary of input into local and central government plans and policies

Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways to Preparedness: A Planning Framework for Recovery • Auckland Unitary Plan • Economic Development Action Plan • Tāmaki Tauawhi Kaumātua - Age-friendly Auckland Action Plan • National Emissions Reduction Plan • Transport Emissions Reduction Plan • Regional Parks Management Plan
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland's Climate Action Framework • Resource Recovery Network Strategy • Ministry for the Environment's consultation document on hard-to-recycle plastics and single-use items • Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's Building for Climate Change • Regional Fuel Tax scheme • Transform recycling in Aotearoa
Bylaws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste Bylaw Statement of Proposal • Alcohol Control Bylaw • Navigation Safety Bylaw • Public Trading Events and Filming Bylaw 2022 • Animal Management Bylaw 2015 • Water Supply and Wastewater Network Bylaw 2015 • Freedom Camping in Vehicles Bylaw 2022 • Stormwater Bylaw 2015 • Signs Bylaw 2022 • Property Maintenance and Nuisance Bylaw 2015 • Auckland Transport - Activities in the Road Corridor Bylaw 2022

Central government bills and policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policy Statement on Elite and Prime Soils • National Environmental Standards for Sources of Human Drinking Water • Waste Strategy and associated waste legislation Central government bills and policies • Government Policy Statement on Housing and Urban Development discussion document • Department of Internal Affairs' consultation on changes to Māori ward and Māori constituency processes. • Three Waters reform proposal • Managing Our Wetlands amendment proposal • Three Waters Economic Regulation Submission
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport Emissions Pathways to Net Zero by 2050 • Auckland Council Holiday Parks – Business Delivery Model Review • Allocation of Auckland Transport Local Board Transport Capital Fund • Auckland's Water Strategy • Resource Management System Reform • Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa - New Zealand Geographic Board: recording of unofficial place names as official

Appendix C: Summary of completed projects and community leases

RENEWALS		
Project Name	Subdivision	Project Status
Coatesville Settlers Hall - replace roof components	Kumeū	Project completed June 2019
Warkworth Library - reconfigure entranceway	Warkworth	Project completed May 2020
Leigh Hall - refurbish interior	Warkworth	Project completed December 2020
Leigh Library - renew heritage facility	Warkworth	Project completed May 2020
Puhoi Town Library - renew heritage facility	Warkworth	Project completed March 2020
Rautawhiri Park - refurbish toilets and changing rooms	Kumeū	Project completed December 2020
Rodney - renew coastal assets Leigh Wharf Piles Willjames Ave Esplanade and Recreation Reserve Scotts Landing Wharf	Various	Project completed December 2019

Rainbows End Reserve Puhoi Hall Grounds and Esplanade Reserve Port Albert Wharf Reserve Point Wells Foreshore Reserve Leigh Harbour Cove Walkway Buckleton Beach Reserve		
Rodney - review and renew cardax system in community places	Various	Project completed April 2021
Whangateau Hall - renew heritage facility including timber picket fence	Warkworth	Project completed July 2020
Kaukapakapa Hall & Library Reserve - seal carpark area	Kaipara	Project completed June 2019
Omaha Beach boat ramp carpark reconfiguration	Warkworth	Project completed May 2022
Omeru Scenic Reserve - renew minor assets	Kaipara	Project completed March 2022
Matheson Bay Reserve - renew car park and drainage	Warkworth	Project completed June 2019
Rautawhiri Park - renew sports fields three, four and five	Kumeū	Project completed December 2020
Shelly Beach Reserve - renew car park and drainage	Kumeū	Project completed December 2019
Merlot Heights Reserve - relocate and renew playspace	Kumeū	Project completed March 2022
Wellsford Community Centre - refurbish interior and exterior	Wellsford	Project completed May 2020
Wellsford, 118 Rodney Road - rebuild public toilet block	Wellsford	Expected project completion July 2022
Algies Bay Reserve - renew car park and drainage incl. driveway	Warkworth	Project completed May 2019
Snells Beach - refurbish toilet block - Hamatana Road	Warkworth	Project completed July 2020
Whangateau Reserve - renew seawall - stage 1 - campground	Warkworth	Project completed June 2019
Warkworth Town Centre - remediate wharf pontoon and boardwalk	Warkworth	Project completed July 2021
Algies Bay Reserve - refurbish toilet block	Warkworth	Project completed February 2021

Birds Beach Recreation Reserve - refurbish toilet block	Wellsford	Project completed February 2021
Matakana Wharf Reserve - refurbish toilet block	Warkworth	Project completed May 2022
Matheson Bay - renew southern carpark	Warkworth	Project completed July 2021
Sinclair Park - refurbish toilet block	Kumeū	Project completed March 2021
Warkworth Showgrounds - renew sports lighting	Warkworth	Expected project completion June 2022
Omaha Community Centre – refurbish facility	Warkworth	Expected project completion June 2022
Whangateau Reserve – replace playspace components	Warkworth	Project completed June 2021

DEVELOPMENT/IMPROVEMENT		
Project Name	Subdivision	Project Status
Coatesville Recreation Reserve - install fitness equipment	Kumeū	Project completed June 2019
Cabeleigh Drive Pond Reserve - develop play space and walkway	Kumeū	Project completed April 2021
Warkworth Atlas Site - demolish outbuildings	Warkworth	Project completed April 2021
Dinning Road, Riverhead - develop playspace with walkways	Kumeū	Expected project completion June 2022
Mahurangi River - dredging in town wharf area	Warkworth	Project completed June 2019
Rodney - develop concept plan and deliver streetscape improvements Kumeū/Huapai – complete Riverhead – complete Parakai - underway	Kumeū	Kumeū /Huapai project completed November 2021 Riverhead project completed May 2022 Expected Parakai project completion July 2022
Cabeleigh Drive Pond Reserve - develop play space and walkway	Kumeū	Project completed March 2022

Rodney Town Centre Revitalisation - implement concept plan - Helensville	Kumeū	Project completed June 2021
Rodney Town Centre Revitalisation - implement concept plan - Warkworth	Warkworth	Stage 1 project completed June 2021
Shoemith Reserve - redevelop play space and renew minor assets	Warkworth	Expected project completion June 2022
Green Road Park - implement site assessments	Dairy Flat	Project completed June 2021
Huapai Service Centre Riverbank - develop community space - stage 1 and 2	Kumeū	Project completed May 2022
Green Road - develop pathway plan	Dairy Flat	Expected project completion June 2022
Rodney - develop Greenways plan	Various	Project completed June 2020

Project Name (community leases)	Subdivision	Project Status
Coastguard Kaipara Incorporated – new landowner approval and agreement to lease	Kumeū	Granted
Kumeū Community Gardens Incorporated – new licence to occupy	Kumeū	Granted
Mahurangi Community Sport and Recreation Collective Incorporated – renewal of licences to occupy	Warkworth	Granted
Matakana Branch Pony Club Incorporated – partial surrender of licence to occupy, renewal and variation of lease and licence to occupy	Warkworth	Granted
Playcentre Aotearoa Incorporated (Kaukapakapa) – renewal of lease	Kumeū	Granted
Playcentre Aotearoa Incorporated (Warkworth) – new lease	Warkworth	Granted
Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust (Helensville) – new lease	Kumeū	Granted
Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust (Kumeū) – new lease	Kumeū	Granted
The Scout Association of New Zealand (Motutara-Waimauku) – new landowner approval an agreement to lease	Kumeū	Granted

Tauhoa Primary School Board of Trustees – new lease	Wellsford	Granted
Mahurangi College Board of Trustees – new community licence to occupy	Warkworth	Granted
Helensville Tennis Club Incorporated – landlord approval for the installation of an automated gate for the pavilion to enable an automated pin pad mechanism	Kumeū	Granted
Omaha Beach Bowling Club Incorporated – landlord approval for the installation of new tiger turf to improve its playing surface	Warkworth	Granted
Kumeū Arts Centre Incorporated – landlord approval for works to replace an internal door in its original building to provide increased safety and ventilation	Kumeū	Granted
New Zealand Police – Ngā Pirihimana o Aotearoa – landlord approval for the installation of new antennae to the roof of its community policing centre to increase connectivity	Warkworth	Granted
Omaha Beach Bowling Club Incorporated – landlord approval for works to reconfigure its clubrooms to improve layout and to comfortably accommodate new members	Warkworth	Granted
Omaha Beach Community Incorporated – landlord approval (on behalf of Omaha Beach Golf Club Incorporated) to upgrade the bathroom facilities	Warkworth	Granted
Art Kaipara Incorporated – renewal of lease	Kumeū	Granted
Helensville Tennis Club Incorporated – renewal of lease	Kumeū	Granted
Helensville-Waimauku Family Budgeting Service Incorporated – renewal of lease	Kumeū	Granted
Classification of land at 383 West Coast Road Ahuroa to legally support the grant of a new lease to Fire and Emergency New Zealand for the land	Kumeū	Granted
Fire and Emergency New Zealand – new lease at 383 West Coast Road, Ahuroa	Kumeū	Granted
Riverhead Bowling Club Incorporated – new lease	Kumeū	Granted
Warkworth Agricultural & Pastoral Society Incorporated – new lease	Warkworth	Granted

The Kaipara Flats Sports Club Incorporated – lease for additional premises	Warkworth	Granted
The Matakana Tennis Club Incorporated – lease for additional premises	Warkworth	Granted
Mahurangi Community Sport and Recreation Collective Incorporated – renewal of licences to occupy	Warkworth	Granted
Mahurangi Community Sport and Recreation Collective Incorporated – landowner approval and agreement to lease	Warkworth	Granted
Kumeū and Districts Community Centre Incorporated – renewal of lease	Kumeū	Granted
Muriwai Environmental Action Community Trust Incorporated – renewal of licence to occupy	Kumeū	Granted
Citizens Advice Bureau Incorporated (Wellsford) – renewal of lease	Wellsford	Granted
Kumeū Community Gardens Incorporated – renewal of licence to occupy	Kumeū	Granted
Ministry of Education for Her Majesty the Queen (Warkworth) – renewal of lease	Warkworth	Granted
Kumeū Cricket Club Incorporated – new lease	Kumeū	Granted
Riverhead Community Courts Club Incorporated – new lease	Kumeū	Granted