



Te mahere ā-rohe o Franklin 2026

## Franklin

# Draft Summary Local Board Plan 2026

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# He kōrero mai i te Heamana

## From the Chair

It is my privilege to present the draft Franklin Local Board Plan 2026–2029.

Our team have invited discussion and comment from a range of different groups to help us draft this plan.

Quality of life and protecting our environment and the top priorities. We plan to help the community and mana whenua to lead or participate in the delivery of services and initiatives, so they make local sense.

We will focus on delivering value and enhancing existing facilities so they can accommodate growth. We will need to make trade-offs, including selling or closing some under-utilised assets so we can afford to upgrade others or possibly implement new fees to offset sports park maintenance costs.

This plan proposes a range of objectives and ideas. We want to hear your feedback to help us shape the final plan. Together, we can build Franklin as a prosperous, connected and resilient community.

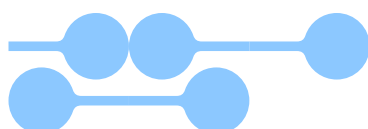


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Alan Cole

**Franklin Local Board Chairperson**

This summary is an overview of the statement of proposal for our draft Franklin Local Board Plan 2026. We encourage you to read the full draft plan, available online at [akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/your-voice/akhaveyoursay), at public libraries and council service centres and tell us what you think by **Thursday 23 July 2026**. Or tell us what you think in person at one of our local events.



# Ngā huanga Māori, he huanga āhuarangi, me he huanga tautika

## **Māori Outcomes, Climate Outcomes and Equitable Outcomes**

This local board plan focuses on five areas where local boards make decisions and can have the greatest influence at a local level. There are three considerations for all decisions and investments:

- Māori outcomes
- climate outcomes
- equitable outcomes.

These outcomes have shaped the priorities within this Local Board Plan and are reflected throughout the five focus areas.



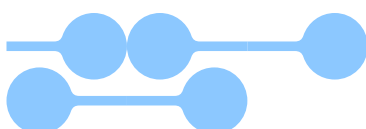
## Te hapori **Community**

**New and established communities are helped to come together to celebrate diversity of place, perspective and culture and in doing so create a shared sense of safety, belonging and prosperity.**

### **Our Plan**

#### **Our 3-year goals (Objectives)**

- Enable and empower local organisations and iwi to lead delivery of community services.
- Connect new and established communities to support a shared sense of identity, community pride, and safety.
- Invest in community facilities that enable locals and visitors to connect with each other and with Council services in a safe and inclusive environment.
- Ensure resilience of local community organisations by supporting groups to engage new and young residents in their mahi (work)
- Invest in arts and sports facilities in partnership with others so facilities are both effective and efficient.





## Te taiao māori

# Natural environment

**We participate in and enable the protection and restoration of the Hauraki Gulf, Manukau Harbour, local rivers and streams, and taonga species so that we have a healthy local eco-system that can support community and cultural well-being.**

### Our Plan

#### Our 3-year goals (Objectives)

- Support projects that restore the mauri of whenua (land), awa (river) and taonga species, that empower and involve local community and support mana whenua to exercise kaitiakitanga (guardianship)
- Ensure that Auckland Council investment in environmental restoration compliments and supports community, and local board projects.
- Support projects that improve water quality, function and the management of flooding.



## Te taiao kua hangaia

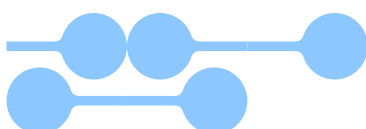
# Built environment

**Our built environment is planned and delivered to be effective and efficient, so that our assets meet the needs of current and future Franklin communities, reflect local character and are affordable.**

### Our Plan

#### Our 3-year goals (Objectives)

- Upgrade community facilities in Town Centres so that they can accommodate growth and function more effectively.
- Ensure the board's asset portfolio is fit for the changing community needs and affordable.





# Te whanaketanga ā-ōhanga

## Economic development

**Franklin communities and businesses are actively supported to participate in and gain benefit from economic development opportunity generated from growth and to participate in the business of Auckland Council service delivery.**

### Our Plan

#### Our 3-year goals (Objectives)

- Promote our food producers and innovative food production practices
- Work in partnership with Papakura Local Board on an integrated approach to local economic development.
- Support business organisations in Franklin to benefit from investment in regional economic development, tourism and major events.
- Respond to education and workforce challenges and opportunities.

# Tūnuku

## Transport

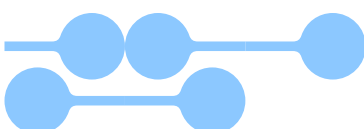


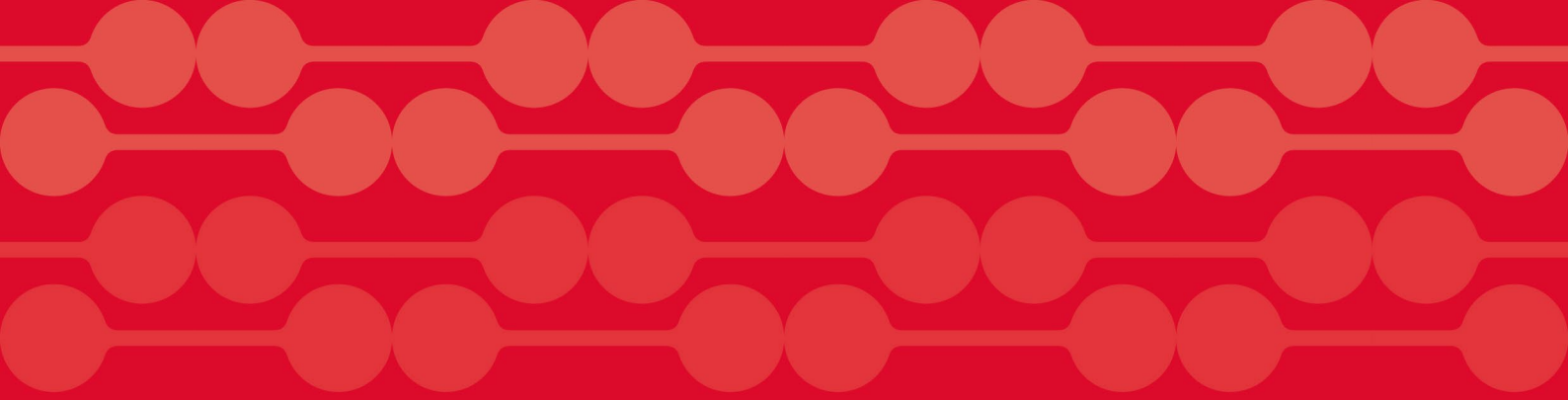
**Franklin's town centres and villages offer safe travel by foot, bike and mobility scooter, and can access public transport. Our roading network is planned, designed and delivered to keep up with development and support freight transportation.**

### Our priorities

#### Our 3-year goals (Objectives)

- Facilitate improved roading capacity and safety, with a focus on those needed to accommodate heavy vehicles or experiencing unscheduled and significant growth.
- Improve access to transport options that support our young and old to safely, independently and affordably access facilities, services and employment.
- Improve roading design guidelines so that developers and communities are able to deliver roads and paths that reflect the local transport environment.
- Deliver and advocate for a range of local transport projects that better enable our communities to move around Franklin safely and effectively.





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