Te Mahere ā-Tau 2025/2026

ANNUAL PLAN 2025/2026

Volume 2 Extract: Local Board Information and Agreements

Mihi

Nau mai e te Tai Whakarunga e te Tai Whakararo
Nau mai e te Tai Tūpuna o Rēhua,
o Te Moananui-o-Toi.
Nau mai ki Tāmaki i whakawhenuatia rā,
i ngā waitapu e rua nei arā ko te
Waitematā ko te Mānukanuka.
Koia i maea ake i te kōpū o Papatūānuku
e takoto mai nei,
kia tangihia tonuhia e Ranginui e tū iho nei.

He tātai whetū ki te rangi tū tonu
He tātai tāngata ki te whenua, ngaro noa.
E te iwi raro rā, whakarongo ake ki
te tangi a te iwi e tū nei
Hoki wairua mai, haere. Hoki ki te kainga
tuturū kia au ai te moe.

Āpiti hono tātai hono,
I te ao wairua, I te ao kikokiko nei hoki

Piki mai te mana, kake mai te mana
Tau tonu rā ki te tahuna nui ki te tahuna roa o Tāmaki
kia mihia nuitia e ngā pou me ngā whare wharau
O te Kaunihera o Tāmakau Makaurau
E Whakatau nei I a koutou ē....!

Welcome, o tides from the north and south.
Welcome, ancestral seas of Rēhua and of Toi.
Welcome to Tāmaki – the land conferred by sacred right, born of the two sacred harbours: Waitematā and Mānukanuka-a-Hoturoa.
You who emerged from the womb of Papatūānuku, lying here still, lamented continually by Ranginui above.

A genealogy of stars in the heavens endures,
while the line of humanity on earth fades away.
To those who have passed –
listen to the cry of those who stand here now.
Return in spirit, and go peacefully.
Return to the eternal homeland, and rest.

That which is bound remains joined, an unbroken line – in the realm of spirit and the realm of the living.

To the esteemed; ascend, climb and rise –
to the broad and far-reaching shores of Tāmaki.
That you may be received and acknowledged
by the pou and the gathering places,
by the people and the Council of Tāmaki Makaurau
who welcome you all.

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He kōrero whānui mō ngā poari ā-rohe

Local board overview

▲ Matheson Bay, Rodney

He whakarāpopoto mō ngā poari ā-rohe

1.1 Local board overview

SHARED GOVERNANCE MODEL

The Governing Body (mayor and 20 councillors)

- focus on big picture and Auckland-wide issues
- develop Auckland-wide strategies and plans
- decision making of regulatory activities such as bylaws, licencing, inspection and animal management.

21 local boards (chairperson and local board members)

- represent local communities
- provide local leadership
- make decisions on local issues and activities
- Allocate local funding for services and projects that reflect the priorities and preferences of communities within the local board area.
- input to regional strategies and plans
- advocate to the Governing Body and council-controlled organisations (CCOs) on behalf of local communities.

Introduction

Auckland Council has a unique model of local government in New Zealand. It is made up of the Governing Body (the mayor and 20 ward councillors) and 21 local boards. The Governing Body focuses on Auckland-wide issues while local boards are responsible for making decisions on local issues, activities and services. Local boards also provide input into regional strategies, policies and plans. Together, this is a shared governance model where decisions can be made both regionally and locally.

Local board decision-making comes from three sources:

1. **Legislation** – local boards are responsible for:
   - community engagement,
   - preparing local board plans,
   - agreeing and monitoring local board agreements,
   - communicating local views to the Governing Body on regional strategies, policies, plans and bylaws.
2. **Allocation of decision-making for non-regulatory activities** – the Governing Body has allocated responsibility for decision-making on certain non-regulatory activities to local boards. This includes a broad range of local activities such as local parks, libraries, events, recreational facilities and community activities. Refer to Volume 2, Part 3 for the Allocation of decision-making responsibilities for non-regulatory activities.
3. **Delegation of decision-making responsibilities** – the Governing Body may give responsibility for some regulatory activities to local boards, and Auckland Transport may give some decision-making responsibilities to local boards. Refer to Volume 2, Part 3 for the list of delegated responsibilities to local boards.

Te Whakawhanake i ngā Take Mātāmua ā-Rohe Pātata

1.2 Developing local priorities

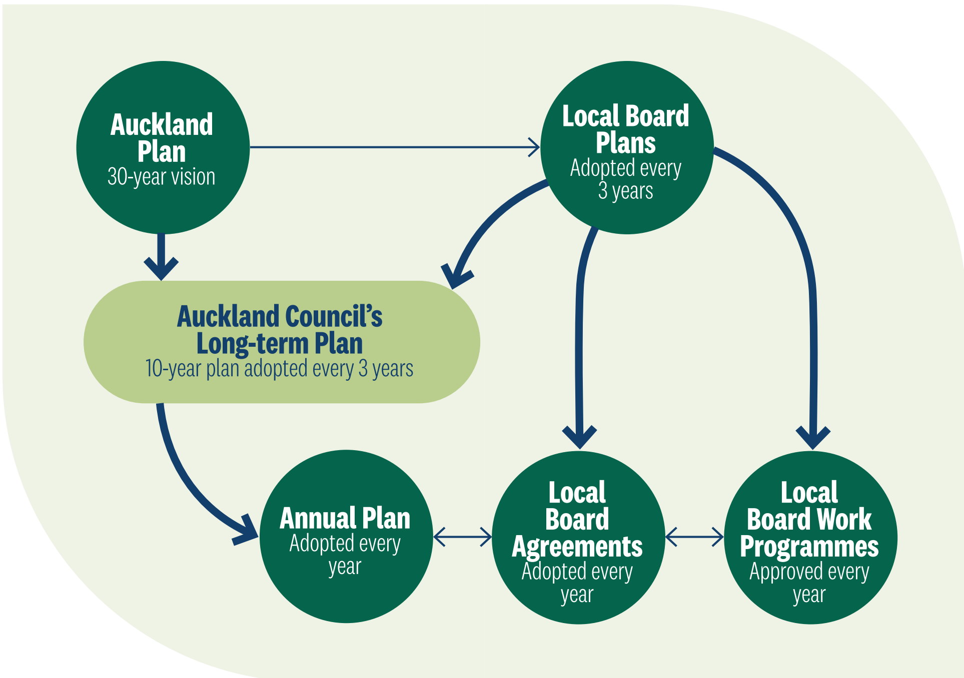
Local board plans are strategic documents that set the direction for local boards and also inform the long-term plan. Reflecting community priorities and preferences, the plans are developed every three years to guide local board activity, funding and investment decisions. They also influence local board input into regional strategies and plans and provide a basis for developing local board agreements.

Every year, a local board agreement is developed between the Governing Body and each local board. It agrees the delivery and funding of local activities, intended levels of service, performance measures and targets, for the year. The agreement takes into account local board plan priorities but must also reflect Governing Body decisions such as Auckland-wide priorities, budget constraints and trade-offs across all council activities.

Each local board also agrees annual work programmes in line with their local board agreement. These are operational and capital work programmes for activities in which they have decision-making responsibilities. They contain specific initiatives and projects in greater detail than appears in a local board agreement. Local board work programmes play a critical role in delivering on the needs of communities and are informed by local board plans.

Local board agreements for 2023/2024 have been agreed between each local board and the Governing Body and are set out in Part 2.

▶ Diagram 1: The relationship between Auckland Council plans and agreements.



Local activities

Local boards have decision making responsibility for a range of activities, as set out in the following list.

1. Local Community Services
2. Local Planning and Development
3. Local Environmental Management
4. Local Governance.

Local board agreements outline for each activity area the key initiatives and funding for the 2023/2024 financial year.

Te Tuku Pūtea

1.3 Funding

Auckland Council has a shared governance model for making decisions on local activities. Under the Local Board Funding Policy 2025, funding for local boards is determined based on the following:

Operating funding (to maintain and operate assets and services, like libraries, pools and parks, as well as provide local programmes and initiatives) is made up of:

- fees and charges set by the local board and collected from local assets and services
- revenue from a targeted rate set by the Governing Body to fund local assets and services
- any other revenue including grants, donations, and sponsorships
- an allocation of general rates based on an equity formula

On top of this an allocation for governance services based on the number of elected members and associated administrative costs for each local board.

Capital funding (to renew and develop assets) for local boards is allocated to local boards based on an equity formula for local boards.

In addition to the identified operating and capital funding methods set out above, the Governing Body will provide operating and capital funding for specific items identified in Section 3.3 of the Local Board Funding Policy 2025, based on the assets and services in each local board area.

The total estimated funding allocation for all 21 local boards over the 2025/2026 financial year is shown in following tables. The budgets for each local board for the 2025/2026 financial year are included within the individual local board agreements in this volume.

Fairer funding

Local boards are responsible for the local services that strengthen Auckland communities, including parks, environmental initiatives, libraries, pools, arts, recreation centres, community halls, local programmes and events, as well as support for local community groups. The Governing Body approved a fairer funding approach for local boards in the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (LTP). This will enable local boards to better respond to the needs of their communities.

This annual plan begins to address the funding imbalances between the 21 local boards by allocating available funding to local boards based on an 'equity formula'. This is calculated according to each local boards':

- population (80 per cent)
- levels of deprivation (15 per cent)
- land area (5 per cent).

To support a transition to this new approach, an additional $35 million of operating funding and $33 million of capital funding will be allocated to local boards in 2025/2026 as provided for in the LTP.

In early March 2025 it was signalled that due to increased repairs and maintenance and utilities costs, increased staffing levels to meet health and safety requirements, and revenue reductions across community facilities, local boards were facing shortfalls of around $14 million from their funding levels indicated in the LTP.

Under the new fairer funding approach, local boards would usually need to address these types of cost increases from within their funding envelope by making decisions to increase revenue or reduce expenditure. However, 2025/2026 will be treated as a one-off transition year with funding for these cost increases addressed at a regional level.

The $14 million operating shortfall and any other cost pressures relating to local activities will however need to be addressed by local boards in the Annual Plan 2026/2027 and subsequent years.

Work is underway to ensure local boards are supported by advice and improved financial information to resolve these challenges in the 2026/2027 financial year.

Gross capital expenditure for 2025/2026 by local board

$000 FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE	LTP 2024/2025 ($000)	LTP 2025/2026 ($000)	ANNUAL PLAN 2025/2026 ($000)
100 - Albert-Eden	3,889	11,619	7,348
115 - Great Barrier	400	1,651	1,651
105 - Devonport-Takapuna	5,452	5,841	6,101
110 - Franklin	7,686	8,043	11,136
120 - Henderson-Massey	13,599	8,996	21,613
125 - Hibiscus and Bays	13,678	14,922	21,847
130 - Howick	7,757	10,782	10,332
135 - Kaipātiki	6,880	9,201	6,714
140 - Mangere-Otahuhu	6,455	10,127	9,730
145 - Manurewa	9,477	6,980	9,588
150 - Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	14,532	17,810	21,822
155 - Ōrākei	8,141	8,130	7,455
160 - Ōtara-Papatoetoe	6,247	8,538	8,538
165 - Papakura	3,903	6,351	5,734
170 - Puketāpapa	3,234	6,084	5,684
175 - Rodney	10,159	9,206	8,322
180 - Upper Harbour	13,204	19,734	6,911
185 - Waiheke	1,115	3,476	3,192
190 - Waitakere Ranges	2,339	4,846	4,846
195 - Waitematā	10,693	7,123	9,928
200 - Whau	8,097	30,680	23,802
Grand Total	**156,937**	**210,140**	**212,294**

Gross operating expenditure for 2025/2026 by local board

$000 FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE	LTP 2024/2025 ($000)	LTP 2025/2026 ($000)	ANNUAL PLAN 2025/2026 ($000)
100 - Albert-Eden	16,405	20,588	23,860
115 - Great Barrier	2,504	3,679	4,032
105 - Devonport-Takapuna	16,700	17,249	17,011
110 - Franklin	18,141	22,183	25,028
120 - Henderson-Massey	33,760	34,966	37,528
125 - Hibiscus and Bays	25,727	27,820	29,198
130 - Howick	33,761	34,934	36,670
135 - Kaipātiki	21,351	24,220	26,579
140 - Mangere-Otahuhu	23,565	24,206	26,860
145 - Manurewa	18,439	24,846	27,623
150 - Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	19,366	20,936	22,666
155 - Ōrākei	16,529	18,074	19,835
160 - Ōtara-Papatoetoe	23,622	24,231	27,007
165 - Papakura	16,709	16,911	18,794
170 - Puketāpapa	10,692	13,502	14,902
175 - Rodney	17,108	25,442	27,219
180 - Upper Harbour	19,333	20,127	22,518
185 - Waiheke	6,126	7,260	7,714
190 - Waitakere Ranges	12,360	13,069	14,274
195 - Waitematā	34,685	35,967	39,204
200 - Whau	17,140	21,648	22,406
Grand Total	**404,023**	**451,858**	**490,928**

Budgets include interest and depreciation, and exclude corporate overheads.

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Ngā pārongo me ngā whakaaetanga a ngā poari ā-rohe

Local board information

▲ Walking the Clevedon Trails

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

I am pleased to present the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Agreement for the 2025/2026 financial year. Your feedback in the annual plan consultation has helped guide this agreement.

We have listened and your feedback that told us what is important to you, where we should focus and what we should prioritise over the next 12 months.

We live in paradise and our community is committed to keeping it that way. With 26kms of picturesque coastline, our coastal environment needs to be protected. We continue to invest in:

- Pupuke Bird Song Project and Restoring Takarunga Hauraki our ecological and environmental parks volunteer management programmes
- planting the right trees in the right places to increase our tree canopy coverage.

Reducing flood risks and managing stormwater continue to be significant concerns. Our community is changing quickly. Houses are already being removed with 159 Category 3 buyouts:

- 141 in Milford
- nine in Sunnynook
- nine in Forrest Hill.

As a local board we are advocating for investment to help reduce flood risks in the Wairau Valley and ensure the safety of our people and their properties.

Our capital projects are continuing to improve communities. . The Takapuna Library Community Hub is a major project for our community and is progressing through design and budgeting phase. The new "Dragon Park" playground in Knightsbridge Reserve is a project co-designed with our Asian community and will become a 'destination' park.

We will also replace the popular stairs at Kennedy Park again, to provide access to the beach and for those fitness friends brave enough to tackle the 'stairs of doom'.

We continue to advocate for funding and support to improve travel options on the Devonport Peninsula including the development of the Francis to Esmonde cycling and walking link to reduce traffic congestion on Lake Rd.

Our budgets are tighter than ever. As a local board we are looking for opportunities to do things differently to ensure our community members continue to live in place they can be proud of.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge and thank those who volunteer their time to make our community a great place to be. We are all better off because of your kindness.

Ngā mihi,

Melissa Powell

Chair Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

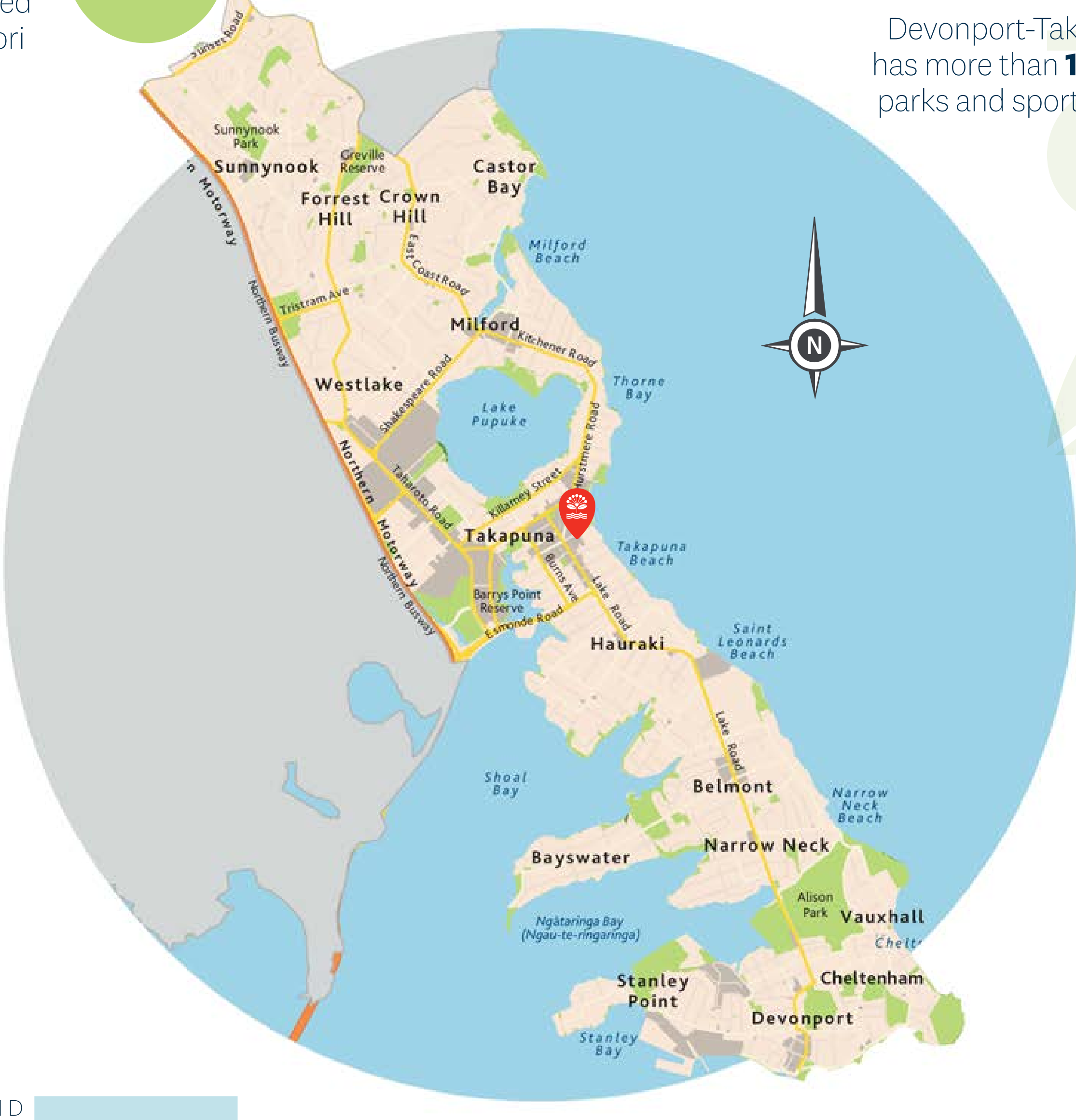
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area

29% identified as Asian

66.4% identified as European

6.2% identified as Māori

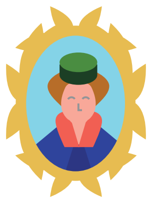
Devonport-Takapuna has more than **110** local parks and sports fields



LEGEND

- Local board office
- Public open space (Unitary Plan)
- Motorway
- Major road
- Arterial road
- Medium road
- Minor road

2 libraries, **1** leisure centre, **1** youth centre, **2** community centres and **7** arts and culture facilities



Data sources: Council Growth Scenario AGS23v1 (Feb 2024), StatsNZ Census 2023 (initial release May 2024)

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023 is a three-year plan that sets out what we want to achieve for the local board area. The plan aims to achieve the following outcomes:

Tō Tātou Taiao
Our environment

Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.

Tō Tātou Hapori
Our community and facilities

Our community has access to quality services and facilities that meet their needs.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga
Our economy

Our economy is thriving, our town centres are vibrant and there is opportunity for all.

Ō Tātou Tāngata
Our people

We value inclusivity, diversity and resilience.

Ō Tātou Wāhi
Our places and transport

Our infrastructure supports growth, and our safe, efficient transport offers diverse travel options.

The local board agreement outlined in this document reflects how we deliver on our plan through agreed activities in the 2025/2026 financial year. In addition, each local board carries out responsibilities delegated by the Governing Body and with the general priorities and preferences in the local board plan.

Working with Māori

Delivering Auckland Council's commitment to Māori at a local level is a priority for local boards. The council is committed to meeting its responsibilities under Te Tiriti o Waitangi / the Treaty of Waitangi and its broader legal obligations to Māori.

To meet this commitment, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan aims to deliver positive outcomes for Māori by supporting initiatives that enable an increase in knowledge and appreciation of Māori identity and culture, promote Māori wellbeing, and provide opportunities for Māori to take part in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- identifying opportunities to work together to build strong relationships with mana whenua and share information on matters that Māori have indicated are of importance
- working with iwi on projects of significance such as improving and maintaining Te Uru Tapu Sacred Grove
- taking opportunities to create a Māori identity in our parks and facilities through Te Kete Rukuruku, a dual naming project that shares the stories of our area's heritage
- encouraging the use of mana whenua design features in parks and facilities
- promoting the use of te reo Māori in places and spaces
- providing support for culturally significant events.

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Agreement 2025/2026

Planned operating and capital spend in 2025/2026

Key areas of spend	Community services	Environmental services	Planning services	Governance	Total
Planned operating spend 2025/2026	$14.8 million	$233,000	$1.0 million	$945,000	$17.0 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	$6.1 million	-	-	-	$6.1 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area are included for the following local activity areas:

- Local community services
- Local planning and development.
- Local environmental management
- Local governance

Local community services

We support strong, diverse, and vibrant communities through libraries and literacy services, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of $14.8 million and capital investment of $6.1 million.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- providing funding and support to organisations that deliver programmes and activities that help to build and support strong, connected, and resilient communities
- providing the funding to maintain, renew and upgrade our community facilities. This includes:
  - providing new playgrounds at Knightsbridge Reserve and Achilles Reserve
  - refurbishing the exterior of 139 Beach Road, Castor Bay
  - repairing the Kennedy Park Stairs
  - improving the Changing Places facility on Gould Reserve
- providing funding to the seven organisations supporting the promotion and delivery of arts in the local board area
- providing funding support for the community activators based at Sunnynook Community Centre and Devonport Community House
- progressing improved access at Milford Reserve
- providing operational funding to organisations such as Neighbourhood Support working to improve community safety
- offering support for local projects and events using the local contestable community grants budget.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 1: Tō Tātou Taiao Our environment

  Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.

- Outcome 2: Ō Tātou Tāngata Our people
  We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.
- Outcome 3: Tō Tātou Hapori Our community and facilities
  Our community has access to quality services and facilities that meet their needs.

Levels of service and key performance measures

Performance measure	Actual 2023/2024	Long-term plan Target 2024/2025	Annual plan Target 2025/2026
Enable a range of choices to access community services and recreation opportunities			
Number of visits to library facilities[1]	468,461	433,000	468,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres[2]	New measure	161,100	183,000
Percentage of time main Pool and Leisure Centre services are accessible to the community	New measure	95%	96%
Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition[3]	New measure	76%	92%
Number of local community events delivered[4]	New measure	3	6
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of local community events delivered[4]	New measure	4	11
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	10	10
Provide urban green spaces (local parks, paths and Ngahere) and access to the coast			
Percentage of local parks, facilities and spaces meeting maintenance quality standards.	New measure	90%	90%
Percentage of local open space asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition[3]	New measure	95%	91%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme[4] *(Urban Ngahere delivers specimen trees intended to be over 3m tall. Additional plantings will occur outside of this programme.)*	New measure	36	71

[1]There are no intended service level changes to libraries, the target has been aligned to 2023/2024 actual visitation numbers.

[2]There are no intended service level changes to pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

[3]The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

[4]The target has changed compared to prior year due to changes in the local board's investment allocation in line with their priorities through the annual work programme

Local planning and development

Local planning and development activities include supporting local town centres and communities to thrive by developing town centre plans and development, supporting Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is $1.0 million.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- funding the Takapuna Beach, Milford Village and Devonport Business Associations to deliver activities and key events that bring a sense of vitality and community to our town centres
- supporting the Young Enterprise Scheme that welcomes all schools in the local board area.

These local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 2: Ō Tātou Tāngata Our people
  We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.
- Outcome 5: Tā Tātou Ōhanga Our economy
  Our economy is thriving, our town centres are vibrant, and there is opportunity for all.

Levels of service and key performance measures

Performance measure	Actual 2023/2024	Long-term plan Target 2024/2025	Annual plan Target 2025/2026
Support a strong local economy			
Percentage of Business Associations meeting their Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rate grant agreement obligations	100%	100%	100%

Local environmental management

We support healthy ecosystems and sustainability through local board-funded initiatives like planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is $233,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- providing funding support to the Devonport-Takapuna Ecological and Environmental Volunteer programme
- providing funding support to support Restoring Takarunga Hauraki and the Pupuke Birdsong Project to work with communities to:
  - manage plant and animal pests
  - maintain and plant local parks and reserves
- providing funding support for the ‘Noughty Wasters’ initiative to teach residents and school children about how they can reduce waste and make use of recyclable materials.

The local environmental management activity and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 1: Tō Tātou Taiao Our environment
  Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.
- Outcome 2: Ō Tātou Tāngata Our people
  We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.

Levels of service and key performance measures

Performance measure	Actual 2023/2024	Long-term plan Target 2024/2025	Annual plan Target 2025/2026
Protect, improve and minimise risks to the natural environments and cultural heritage			
Number of planting events for biodiversity enhancement	New measure	3	3
Volunteer time undertaking animal and/or plant pest control (hours)	New measure	10,000	10,000

Local governance

Activities in this group support the local board to engage with and represent their communities and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, developing local board plans, agreements and work programmes, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is $945,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- providing funding to develop and apply the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Engagement Strategy. This will advise elected members and community representatives about engagement opportunities in the local board area.

These local governance activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 2: Ō Tātou Tāngata Our people
  We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.

Levels of service and key performance measures

Performance measure	Actual 2023/2024	Long-term plan Target 2024/2025	Annual plan Target 2025/2026
Respond to the needs and aspirations of mana whenua and Māori communities			
Number of local activities that deliver moderate to high outcomes for Māori as outlined in Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) (Council's Māori outcomes framework).	New measure	New measure	Set baseline

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area and how we plan to use these funds.

We have prepared the statement to meet the requirements of Section 21(5) of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. It covers the year from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

$000 Financial year ending 30 June	Long-term plan 2024/2025	Annual Plan 2025/2026
Sources of operating funding:		
General rates, UAGCs, rates penalties	15,905	16,142
Targeted rates	837	931
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	23	23
Fees and charges	1,163	1,448
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	412	325
Total operating funding	**18,340**	**18,870**
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	13,526	15,261
Finance costs	2,879	1,705
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,845	1,900
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	**18,250**	**18,865**
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	**91**	**4**
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	5,362	6,097
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	**5,362**	**6,097**
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	27	117
- to improve the level of service	328	415
- to replace existing assets	5,097	5,569
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	**5,452**	**6,101**
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	**(91)**	**(4)**
Funding balance	**0**	**0**

Appendix A: Advocacy initiatives

A key role of the local board is to advocate for initiatives that it may not have decision-making responsibility or funding for but recognises the value it will add to the local community.

The key initiatives that the local board advocated for as part of the annual plan were:

Initiative	Description
Cost pressures	The local board requires accurate and timely advice to navigate cost increases and their effect on delivering projects in the local area.
Flood mitigation and stormwater management	The local board requests that the council pause all resource consents and building permits that contribute to flood risk. The local board strongly supports the development of a detailed business case by Waters and Flood Resilience to detain stormwater in A.F Thomas Park and reduce flood risks.
Heritage assets	The local board requests regional budget support for the ongoing management and renewal of heritage assets.
Improved water quality	The local board requests support to deliver improvements to water quality and environmental outcomes in the Wairau catchment.
Transport investment for the Devonport Peninsula	The local board seeks improvement to traffic movement and congestion on Lake Road. The local board seeks funding to deliver the Francis Street-Esmonde Road walking and cycling path.

Appendix B: How to contact your local board

Local boards enable local representation and decision-making on behalf of local communities. You are encouraged to contact your elected members to have your say on matters that are important to your community.

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