



Te mahere ā-rohe o Puketāpapa 2026  
**Puketāpapa**  
**Draft Local Board Plan 2026**

**Tāmaki Turuki.**  
**Altogether Auckland.**



# Mihi

**Tēnei au te noho atu nei  
i te kāhiwi o Waikōwhai ki te uru.  
Ka mihi iho au ki raro ki te ākau o Manukau  
moana,  
he taunga kawau tiketike, te eke ki te tāhuna  
tōrea.  
Ka huri whakateraki aku kamo,  
ka kite atu au i te ara hou e kokoti mai rā i  
taku manawa  
me te Ahikāroa o Rakataura,  
kia tae au ki Te Tāpapakanga a Hape  
ka hoki mai anō taku hā,  
kei reira nei hoki kō Pukewīwī.  
Ka kite kau atu au i te remu o Ōwairaka,  
ka hoki whakararo ano ōku whakaaro  
ki Te Tātua o Riu ki Uta  
e tu ārai mai rā mōku i te whitinga mai o te rā.  
Kei tua ki te raki, ko te Puku o te Tipua nei o  
Tāmaki Makaurau,  
kei raro ko te Onehunga.  
Kātahi au ka hoki mā te Kāhiwi Pūpuke  
kia ū atu anō au ki a koe Waikōwhai.  
I kona ka tau aku mihi,  
ka eke, kua eke, hui e, taiki e!**

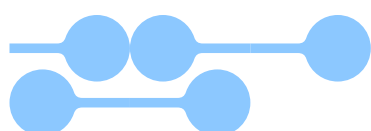
Here I sit  
on the western ridge overlooking Waikōwhai.  
I send my greetings below to the shores of the  
Manukau Harbour,  
landing place of visiting cormorant on the  
domain of the oystercatcher.  
My gaze turns northward,  
along the new path that cuts through the heart  
of the ancient fire-line of Rakataura,  
that takes me to Hape's repose,  
to Pukewīwī  
where I can catch my breath.  
Hemmed in by Ōwairaka to the north,  
my thoughts turn south  
to Te Tātua o Riu ki Uta – Three Kings,  
my boundary to the east.  
Beyond lies the Central Business District  
and to the south, Onehunga.  
From here I follow the ridgeline that is  
Hillsborough  
till I am back at Waikōwhai.  
And, there my greetings rest,  
we are bound, it is done!



# Ngā upoko kōrero

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# He kōrero mai i te Heamana

## From the chair

I am pleased to share the draft Puketāpapa Local Board plan for 2026-2028. While this plan has been drafted with the boards' aspirations for Puketāpapa in mind, we now need you, the community, to share your feedback and aspirations for the area so that it reflects what matters to you most.

In recent years Puketāpapa has felt the impact of rapid community growth, severe weather events including the ongoing effects of flooding, and now more than ever our people are doing it tough while the cost of living continues to rise.

We recognise the importance of an accessible Puketāpapa and well connected by way of transport, including active (walking and cycling) and public. We want our people to be able to move safely between their homes, schools, parks and community spaces.

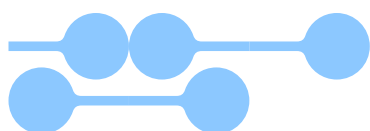
We know that the community wants to see value for money spent, and we want to be strategic about where we spend so that our community is well-supported and resilient to any and all changes and challenges.

With your feedback on this draft plan, you are helping us create a Puketāpapa that is well-serviced, well-connected and that we are all proud to call home. We are excited to hear your thoughts on what we are doing and what you would like to see the board achieve over the next three years.



Roseanne Hay

**Puketāpapa Local Board Chairperson**



# He aronga poto ki tā mātou mahere

## Our plan at a glance



### Community

Our communities are inclusive, connected, safe and thriving. Our people have a strong sense of connection to Puketāpapa and its multi-cultural communities. Our places and activities support resilience, improve wellbeing and reflect Māori identity and culture.



### Natural environment

We all care for the natural environment and feel a sense of connection with local parks, ngā awa (rivers and streams) and the harbour. Our people understand the importance of climate action, particularly with increasing extreme weather events. Our awa have the space they need to flow, without flooding people's homes.



### Built environment

Our changing neighbourhoods are well-designed, creating places that are safe, easy to access and inviting. Our town centres and public spaces are attractive, functional and lively. They reflect our unique identity and provide places for people to meet.



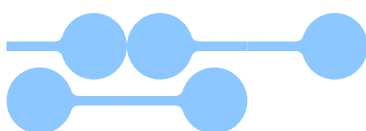
### Economic development

Puketāpapa has a thriving local economy and a supportive business environment. Our small local businesses have the support they need to flourish, connect and be more environmentally friendly. Local job opportunities and training are available for our people.



### Transport

Our transport networks are well-connected and link housing, schools, parks and commercial areas. There are a range of transport options that are safe, reliable, convenient and sustainable – and enough active and public transport options to reduce congestion and give people more healthy ways to travel.



# Te tirohanga whānui o Te Mahere a te Poari ā-Rohe

## Local Board Plan Overview

He kōrero mō tēnei tuhinga

### About this document

This local board plan sets out the vision and priorities for our area over the next three years. It outlines our commitments to our community – shaped by what you've told us matters most, and by the role local boards play within Auckland Council.

Te take kei a mātou te mahere nei

### Why we have this plan

Local boards are responsible for decisions on local services and activities, and for representing local views on wider Auckland issues. This plan guides:

- what we focus on and fund locally
- how we work with mana whenua, partners, and community organisations
- how we make the best use of local assets such as parks, libraries and community facilities
- where we will advocate to others on your behalf.

Te ara i whakaritea ai te mahere nei

### How this plan was developed

To make sure the plan reflects local aspirations, we built on:

- public feedback from the previous local board plan, annual plans and other consultations
- surveys such as People's Panel
- community engagement held from October 2025 - April 2026.

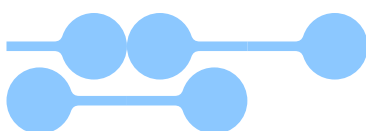
Te ara e tutuki ai ngā whāinga kei te mahere

### How the plan will be used

The plan provides direction for the next three years and influences council's wider decision making. To deliver on it we will:

- prioritise budgets and resources to focus on the initiatives in this plan
- work with our partners to deliver on the objectives in this plan.

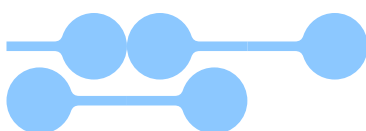
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# Te Rohe ā-Poari Local board area



## MAP LEGEND





*Carols at the Kings in Three Kings Reserve.*

## Tā mātou ki ngā huanga hei painga mō Tāmaki Makaurau

# Our contribution to positive outcomes for Auckland

Local board plans connect local priorities and projects with the wider goals for Auckland. In particular, the local board plan connects with the:

- [Auckland Plan 2050](#) – the 30-year vision for how Auckland will grow and change. This includes the Future Development Strategy.
- [long-term plan](#) – the council’s investment and funding priorities over the next 10 years.
- [annual plan](#) – local funding decisions for each financial year.

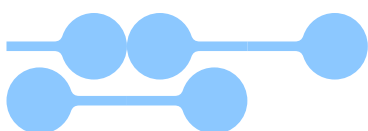
By linking to these wider plans, our local board plan can draw on Auckland-wide opportunities to deliver locally, while ensuring the goals of local communities contribute to Auckland’s shared future.

The **Auckland Plan 2050** sets out six outcomes that describe what Auckland is working towards over the long term. The council’s strategic framework organises all work and spending into **seven investment areas** to show how these outcomes are achieved.

This local board plan focuses on **five** of those investment areas – the ones where local boards make decisions and can have the greatest influence at a local level.

The strategic framework also identifies three considerations for all decisions and investments:

- Māori outcomes: Honouring Te Tiriti and ensuring Māori thrive in Tāmaki Makaurau



- Climate outcomes: Leading urgent action for a low-emissions, resilient future
- Equitable outcomes: Ensuring all Aucklanders have access to what they need to thrive
- supporting local initiatives that reflect Māori priorities
- embedding Māori identity, language and values into local spaces and activities.

These three areas are mutually reinforcing. Improving one of the three required considerations is likely to contribute to improvements in the others.

## Ngā huanga Māori

### Māori outcomes

Māori identity and culture are Auckland’s unique point of difference in the world.

Māori outcomes describe how Auckland Council supports Māori goals — from partnership and participation to visibility and wellbeing. They also reflect the council’s commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, our statutory responsibilities, and our ongoing relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities across Tāmaki Makaurau.

The refreshed *Tāmaki Ora Māori Outcomes Strategy* reflects the vision that when Māori are well, Tāmaki Makaurau will also be well. *Tāmaki Ora* guides Auckland Council to focus on seven Ora outcomes (wellbeing areas) that mana whenua and Māori communities have told us are important to them:

- Iwi Ora - Iwi wellbeing
- Te Taiao Ora - Environmental wellbeing
- Tuakiri Ora - Cultural identity wellbeing
- Huatau Ora – Future wellbeing
- Te Hapori Ora – Whānau & community wellbeing
- Whai Rawa Ora – Economic wellbeing
- Marae Ora - Marae vitality

Local boards play a key role in achieving Tāmaki Ora. This can be through:

- partnering with mana whenua and Māori communities

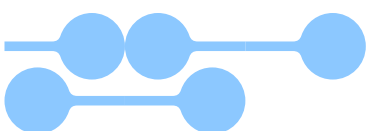
This work will focus on Mana ki te Mana (authority to authority) engagements between local boards and mana whenua. The aim is to build relationships based on respect, shared priorities and mutual recognition for the mana that we each hold.

#### Our local area:

Within Puketāpapa Local Board area the significant natural landscapes within the Puketāpapa Local Board area are:

- the Tūpuna Maunga of Te Tātua-a-Riukiuta /Big King and Puketāpapa / Pukewīwī / Mt Roskill. These are co-governed by the Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority
- Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek, which is one of Auckland’s longest urban streams, flowing from Hillsborough through Mt Roskill, Owairaka and Waterview to the Waitemātā Harbour
- Te Wairaki which is on the northern coastline of the Manukau Harbour. The stream’s headwaters are behind the Lynfield town centre and it flows to Lynfield Cove
- Te Whau which flows from where the Avondale and Whau stream meet, to its mouth between Te Atatu Peninsula and Rosebank Peninsula at Avondale
- The Manukau Harbour and Waikōwhai coastal ngāhere.

In Puketāpapa, eight per cent of the population are of Māori descent, compared with 14 per cent for the whole of Auckland. Some of these residents will be mātāwaka (Māori who whakapapa to an area outside of Auckland) and some will be mana whenua (Māori who have a tribal connection to this rohe/area).



These mana whenua groups have connections to this area:

- Ngāti Whātua (Ngāti Whātua ki Kaipara, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei)
- Te Kawerau ā Maki, Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki, Ngāti Tamaoho, Te Ākitai Waiohua, Ngāti Te Ata Waiohua, Te Ahiwaru
- Ngāti Paoa, Ngaati Whanaunga, Ngāti Maru, Ngāti Tamaterā
- Waikato-Tainui.

## He huanga āhuarangi

### Climate outcomes

In 2019, Auckland Council declared a climate emergency and adopted *Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland's Climate Plan* in 2020. Meeting the goals of this plan requires ambitious action to reduce emissions and adapt to a changing climate.

Local boards contribute by including climate action into everything we do – from community investment and transport choices to restoring the environment and local events. We also support regional initiatives and enable community-led initiatives that build local resilience to the effects of climate change.

Climate action also connects with the *Ngā Hapori Momoho / Thriving Communities Strategy 2022–2032*, which recognises that social and environmental wellbeing are closely linked—communities thrive when they have healthy environments, green spaces and can respond together to climate challenges.

Tāmaki Ora also recognises Māori goals around climate leadership and resilience.

### Our local area:

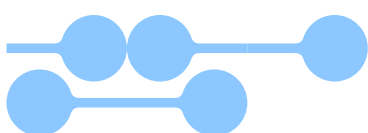
In Puketāpapa, the extreme weather events of the last few years have had significant impacts. Storm and flood damage has mostly affected suburbs like Wesley and Roskill, which are next to Te Auaunga / Oakley Creek. Ongoing storms continue to damage homes in these areas and affect people's sense of safety and stability. Adding to the stress for these communities are the large-scale housing developments being planned and built in these suburbs.

In response to this challenge, the community has worked together to create an action plan – 'Recovery and Resilience in Roskill: Building Back Better Together'. This identifies key priorities to address ongoing issues and needs. This community-led action plan has been guided by the Wesley and Roskill Leadership Rōpū - a group of local leaders, community champions, renters, Kainga Ora tenants, homeowners and organisers who reflect the rich diversity of our communities.

Changing weather patterns and significant storm events have created other issues too, including coastal erosion, landslides and infrastructure damage, as well as ongoing tree damage throughout the area.

Across our local board area, our diverse communities have a limited understanding of the impacts of climate change on their lives and how to take effective climate action. Education and support are needed for our newcomers.

Our area has an extensive walking and cycling network and strong advocates for 'active' transport, like the Puketāpapa Active Transport Haven. The volunteers in this group are committed to increasing community use of these healthy, cost-effective and environmentally friendly transport options.



## Ngā hapori e nui katoa nei te kōpaka

### Communities of greatest need

Auckland is one of the most diverse cities in the world, yet not all communities experience the same access to opportunity, wellbeing or resources.

Supporting more equitable outcomes is central to the Auckland Plan 2050. It recognises that the region's success depends on making sure all Aucklanders can be part of and contribute to society, access opportunities and have a chance to develop to their full potential.

*Ngā Hapori Momoho | Thriving Communities Strategy 2022-2032* is Auckland Council's regional strategy for a fairer and more sustainable Tāmaki Makaurau where every Aucklander belongs. It reflects what communities say they need to thrive, for Tāmaki Makaurau to be a region where whānau have everything they need to live a good life, where diversity is celebrated, and where all Aucklanders can participate and belong.

At its heart *Ngā Hapori Momoho* focuses on ensuring equitable outcomes for all Aucklanders – guiding Auckland Council to recognise that different groups and communities need different things to fully

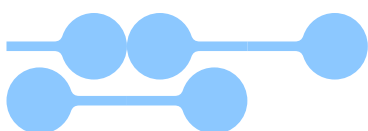
participate in the life of our region, and to feel valued, included, and that they belong.

#### Our local area:

Puketāpapa is the most culturally diverse area of Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland and includes more than a hundred different cultures. Our communities are made up of a mix of newcomers and long-established communities. While this diversity can be challenging, it brings a richness to our area that we want to support and celebrate.

Across Tāmaki Makaurau there are communities that need additional support to help them thrive. This may be the case for new migrants, women and caregivers, younger and older people or Māori and Pasifika communities.

Our goal is to support all our communities in Puketāpapa, however there are few suburbs that are facing unique challenges. Wesley and Roskill South / Waikōwhai are home to the greatest number of refugee communities and people experiencing material hardship. These are also the suburbs most affected by ongoing disruption from housing developments and storm damage, making support for them even more important.





*Taurangi Reserve, Three Kings.*

# Te hāpori

## Community

**Our goal is for:**

- **inclusive communities that are connected, safe and thriving**
- **people to have a strong sense of connection to Puketāpapa and its multi-cultural communities**
- **our places and activities to support resilience, improve wellbeing and reflect Māori identity and culture.**

## Challenges

- Rapid, unplanned housing development will bring more people to the area and change neighbourhoods.
- Land is expensive and, as the population grows, there is more demand for open space, as well as facilities and transport connections. Our open spaces and our transport routes are in high demand from a range of users.
- The increasing cost of living means that people and families are struggling.
- Our area is significantly affected by ongoing storms and flooding, creating a range of issues.
- The support given by the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Office for post-storm repair and rebuild efforts is temporary.



## Opportunities

- Our range of diverse communities bring different experiences and ideas, enriching our rohe (area), and creating wide network of community, arts, culture, recreation sports groups and leaders.
- Puketāpapa has much loved open spaces, such as Monte Cecilia Park (which will be extended in the future), Keith Hay Park, Margaret Griffen Park and Mt Roskill War Memorial Park. Our key community facilities include Pah Homestead and art gallery, Wesley Community Centre and Roskill Youth Zone. The Fickling Centre is home to our library, and the centre is set to expand into a multipurpose hub to provide a range of services for the wider community. Our recreation facilities are Lynfield Youth and Leisure Centre and the Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre.
- We are looking into opportunities to develop and deliver spaces and services differently or use the facilities of other organisations.
- The community-led recovery action plan – ‘Recovery and Resilience in Roskill: Building Back Better Together’ – and the Wesley and Roskill Leadership Rōpū help ensure that the community is ready to respond to future severe weather events.

## Our Plan

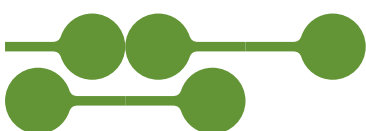
<b>Our 3-year goals (Objectives)</b>	<b>What we plan to deliver in the next 3 years to make this happen (Key initiatives)</b>
Our people value Puketāpapa’s unique cultural diversity and everyone feels like they belong here.	<p>Support local events and activities that celebrate the cultural diversity of Puketāpapa.</p> <p>Projects that welcome new neighbours and increase community and intercultural connections.</p> <p>Enable local leadership and support communities at a neighbourhood and street level to connect and respond to issues important to them.</p> <p>Community forums that bring people together.</p> <p>Projects that improve communications about local opportunities and engagement with the local board, such as increased use of community notice boards.</p>
Mana whenua and the local board work on areas of mutual interest and Te Ao Māori is reflected in our	<p>Mana whenua and the local board work together to support goals that benefit mana whenua, the local board and communities in the area.</p> <p>Support and enhance newcomers and migrant communities understanding of the importance of Te Ao Māori and the significance of Te Tiriti.</p> <p>Deliver projects with Te Ao Māori values, like Manu Aute kite day and Matariki celebrations.</p>



parks, facilities and programmes.	Include Māori design principles and te reo in signage, and tell stories of the Māori cultural landscape in places of significance.
Our network of parks and facilities are accessible, inviting, connected and fit for purpose	<p>Look into where the best areas are for open spaces to provide for increased population.</p> <p>Assess the possibility of additional space for off-leash dog exercising.</p> <p>Use the ‘property portfolio review’ process and storm-affected land to improve how we provide open spaces across the board area.</p> <p>Review current community services and facilities and assess how well they meet the needs of a growing population to identify any unmet needs and plan for future investment.</p> <p>Fund a masterplan for Monte Ceclia Park to consider the future use of the park, including the Liston Village land and any other future community facilities.</p> <p>Identify options for the future layout of the Fickling Convention Centre/Mt Roskill Library hub.</p> <p>Assess the need to develop Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre to plan for population growth.</p> <p>Look into additional lighting and upgrades at sports fields to increase hours available for training.</p> <p>Develop a new neighbourhood park at 3-7 Howell Crescent in Mt Roskill.</p> <p>Review the impact freedom camping has on the community’s use of Margaret Griffen Park.</p>
The programmes and services that we provide in our parks and facilities provide what people need, improving their wellbeing, resilience and learning.	<p>Provide more community services at the Fickling Convention Centre/Mt Roskill Library hub. and at Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre.</p> <p>Invest in programmes that support the needs of children, young people and seniors, such as more play options.</p> <p>Continue to implement the Puketāpapa Sports and Active Recreation Facilities Plan.</p> <p>Invest in programmes and events in parks to tell the story of the dual Māori names gifted through Te Kete Rukuruku project.</p> <p>Assess the benefits of using digital signage in the community to promote our programmes and services, such as. programmes to help communities prepare for emergencies.</p>
Our investment in parks, facilities and services considers	Projects that cater for multicultural communities and other communities of greatest need, such as women and caregivers, new migrants, refugees, disabled people, rangatahi (young people) and older people.



communities of greatest need and neighbourhoods that are growing or most affected by severe weather events.	Support programmes in areas experiencing higher need, including Wesley and Roskill South / Waikōwhai.
	Support initiatives in the Healthy Puketāpapa Action Plan that encourage increased physical activity and reduce harm from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.
	Look into opportunities for communities to share facilities.
	Support community-led recovery planning, including Recovery and Resilience in Roskill: Building Back Better Together action plan.
	Promote the Puketāpapa Local Board Emergency Readiness and Response Plan so that diverse communities are aware, confident, reassured and work together in a crisis.
There is a strong network of community groups and organisations across the local board area.	Support initiatives that build community resilience and connection enabling people from different backgrounds to respond together in times of crisis.
	Support key community, arts, cultural and recreational organisations to continue their local work.
	Fund an arts and events broker to develop strategic relationships and support diverse, community-led local arts, culture and events.
	Fund local board grants for local community groups to build their skills and capacity
We find ways to deliver our services differently, for example in partnerships with schools and other organisations.	Invest in networks that support local leadership and connect them to resources, strengthen skills and succession planning.
	Identify local community-owned assets and support them to provide more access to the broader community, for example with funding from capital grants.
	Investigate future community use of vacant Kāinga Ora storm-damaged land.
	Look for partners outside of the council that want to work with the local board to let our community use their facilities.
	Progress initiatives set out in the Puketāpapa Play Plan.



## Advocacy

Some local priorities that matter to our community are not part of our direct decision-making role. ‘Advocacy’ is how we influence other governance decision-makers to prioritise the things our community cares about.

What we will advocate for in the next 3 years (Advocacy)	Who we will advocate to
Advocate for more open spaces, better transport connections and facilities and to include te ao Māori and community connections in planning and design.	Kāinga Ora and other large-scale developers
Advocate for more open spaces (including buying or leasing) and better transport connections and facilities.	Governing Body
Advocate for funding for regional sports, recreation and events for example from CultureFest and the Sport Investment Fund.	
Advocate to reduce the damaging effects of alcohol through the Liquor Licence Application process.	District Licensing Committee
Advocate for legislative and policy change to help reduce social harm from alcohol, tobacco and vaping.	Central government
Advocate for funding for refugee and new migrant communities.	
Advocate for partnerships between the local board and central government organisations for increased community use of government-owned facilities.	





*Planting volunteers at Wesley Park.*

## Te taiao māori

# Natural environment

**Our goals are for:**

- **all of us to care for the natural environment and feel a sense of connection with local parks, ngā awa (rivers and streams) and the harbour**
- **our people to understand the importance of climate action, particularly with the increase of extreme weather events**
- **our awa to have the space they need to flow without flooding people's homes.**

## Challenges

- High level of urbanisation in the Puketāpapa local board rohe (area) with continued pressure from building developments.
- Our natural ecosystems face numerous threats from pests, weeds, extreme weather and urbanisation.
- Increasing flood risk from climate change is adding to development pressures and existing stormwater and stream corridors have limited capacity to cope with extreme rainfall events. These issues affect housing, parks, ngā awa and the harbour after storm events.



- Limited community understanding of programmes like ‘Making Space for Water’ that sets out how to adapt to climate change and reduce flood risks.

## Opportunities

- Working with mana whenua to make progress on shared environmental priorities.
- Ongoing work with iwi to achieve positive outcomes for the environment and opportunities to include Te Ao Māori principles into the restoration of awa.
- We continue to enhance our natural areas, such as the Manukau Harbour, Waikōwhai coastal forest, Te Auaunga Oakley Creek and the upper Whau awa. We continue to work with other local boards on the Manukau Harbour Forum.
- Work with the Tūpuna Maunga Authority to help connect volunteers to the maunga (mountains) and protect and improve our biodiversity.
- Well-established community-led environmental and climate groups are a foundation for further work.
- Flood risk is a long-term, climate-driven challenge that we need to address with a catchment-scale, nature-based approach to manage urban flooding. For example, the ‘Making Space for Water’ programme is part of a wider, long-term programme that responds to climate-driven flood risks, with future prioritisation and funding subject to further assessment and investment decisions. This programme prioritises Te Auaunga Oakley Creek Stage II, which will help manage flood risks during storm events (however this is currently unfunded).

## Our Plan

<b>Our 3-year goals (Objectives)</b>	<b>What we plan to deliver in the next 3 years to make this happen (Key initiatives)</b>
Improve the health and mauri of ngā awa and the Manukau Harbour.	<p>Continue to fund and take part in the Manukau Harbour Forum, to provide education and engagement programmes that promote the cultural and ecological significance of the harbour.</p> <p>Support community groups to do coastal clean-ups, manage pests and monitor the harbour and coast.</p>
Work with mana whenua on key environmental projects	<p>Work with mana whenua to restore the mauri of awa and taonga species.</p> <p>Continue to apply actions set out in the Te Auaunga (Oakley Creek) vision and restoration strategy, including the ‘tohu marker’ project to help restore the mauri of the awa</p> <p>Continue to restore Wairaki awa at Lynfield Cove.</p>



We invest in our parks and coastal forest, our awa and the Manukau Harbour as our population grows so that water quality, biodiversity and trees are protected.	Support awa water quality monitoring.
	Support the pollution prevention programme.
	Support biodiversity and pest management projects.
We encourage communities to value and care for the environment.	Support the Wairaki Stream Ecological Enhancement and Lynfield Cove ‘daylighting’ projects. These are examples of blue-green initiatives that combine ecological and community goals with potential flood resilience benefits.
	Support key community groups and schools to continue their local environmental work and encourage more people to volunteer, for example in groups like Friends of Oakley Creek.
We reduce the damaging effects of extreme weather events by focussing on catchment-scale interventions.	Continue to support Puketāpapa Migrant Community Conservation Programme.
	Look into a range of potential nature-based and flood resilience options in the Upper Whau catchment, noting that specific interventions would be subject to technical assessment, prioritisation and funding availability.
People live more environment- and climate-friendly lifestyles.	Support implementation of the strategies in the Manukau Harbour North Shoreline Adaptation Plan to ensure council assets are resilient, fit for purpose and can be adapted for future coastal hazard risk.
	Update the Puketāpapa Local Climate Action Plan.
	Support community-led carbon reduction initiatives, such as those that promote more active ways to travel, like walking and cycling.
	Refresh and update the Puketāpapa Urban Ngahere Action Plan 2021, to provide direction on the priority areas of the new tree planting

## Advocacy

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What we will advocate for in the next 3 years (Advocacy)	Who we will advocate to
Advocate to the Governing Body and relevant council departments for increased funding for flood mitigation programmes in Puketāpapa, including the ‘Making Space for Water’ programme, to address identified priority flood risk areas within the local board area. This programme has identified land near to the south-eastern part of Underwood Park (Te Auaunga Oakley Creek Awa Stage II) as a priority area for flood mitigation.	Governing Body



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Advocate for ‘blue-green’ stormwater solutions that provide flood management alongside community, open space, and environmental benefits.

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Advocate to buy land next to awa (streams), particularly near Te Auaunga, to help reduce flooding and improve public access to awa and open spaces.

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Advocate for improved awa water quality and more protected trees.

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Advocate for more pest and weed control on Te Tātua-a-Riukiuta / Big King and Puketāpapa/ Pukewīwī maunga (mountains).	Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority
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Work with the Department of Conservation on environmental or community projects.	Department of Conservation
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Advocate to keep land next to awa, particularly Te Auaunga, to help manage future flood risks and respond to the effects of climate change.	Kāinga Ora
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Advocate to provide adequate stormwater/ open space infrastructure networks, acknowledging that infrastructure networks may need to evolve over time to respond to climate change and heavier rainfall, including greater use of ‘blue-green’ infrastructure alongside traditional stormwater systems.	Kāinga Ora and other large-scale developers
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*Roskill South housing development.*

# Te taiao kua hangaia

## **Built environment**

**Our goals are to:**

- **create well-designed places in our changing neighbourhoods that are safe, accessible and inviting**
- **Make our town centres and public spaces attractive, functional and lively, reflecting our unique identity and providing places for people to meet.**

## **Challenges**

- Kāinga Ora has delayed some large-scale housing developments, leaving uncertainty and large areas of vacant land.
- While we know Kāinga Ora is planning urban intensification in Roskill, Waikōwhai and Three Kings, it is uncertain where other intensification will occur until Plan Change 120 is confirmed.
- We need open space and other infrastructure and services to keep up with the rapid pace of housing intensification.
- Uncertainty of the timeline for the Avondale to Southdown rail route, which is a vital part of our planning for transport and our built environment.



## Opportunities

- Work with Kāinga Ora and private developers to help provide physical and social infrastructure and to ensure land next to awa is kept, to help reduce flooding and improve public access to awa and open spaces.
- Large-scale housing developments create opportunities for new parks, transport links and ‘active transport’ networks, like walking and cycling paths. They also provide an opportunity to consider flood risks and can benefit the local economy.
- The government’s Proposed Plan Change 120: ‘Housing Intensification and Resilience’ aims to encourage housing development away from natural hazards and encourage housing developments along many major transport routes like Dominion Road, and around town centres.
- The Avondale to Southdown rail route is in planning phase.
- There is regional focus on ‘Making Space for Water’ projects, including projects to help reduce floods and stormwater upgrades in high-risk areas such as parts of Puketāpapa.

## Our Plan

<b>Our 3-year goals (Objectives)</b>	<b>What we plan to deliver in the next 3 years to make this happen (Key initiatives)</b>
The areas of greatest housing intensification are well-planned and serviced.	<p>Find ways to respond to the future growth expected in our area as a result of Proposed Plan Change 120, for example review the area plan for parts of Puketāpapa and Albert-Eden local boards.</p> <p>Work with Kāinga Ora on the Roskill South / Waikowhai and Wesley projects, where there is ongoing, present and future development.</p> <p>Support local projects that increase stormwater resilience to extreme weather events.</p>
Our town centres and public spaces are safe, accessible, inviting and connected to transport routes	<p>Fund the Fickling Convention Centre /Mt Roskill Library hub project, which will improve visibility of, and access to, a range of council services in Three Kings.</p> <p>Support community patrols and compliance wardens.</p>



## Advocacy

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<b>What we will advocate for in the next 3 years (Advocacy)</b>	<b>Who we will advocate to</b>
Advocate for more business-zoned land and for designations to future-proof land for infrastructure.	Governing Body
Advocate for appropriate sequencing of housing development planning, to make sure that any housing developments in flood-prone areas are built after stormwater upgrades are completed.	
Advocate for local board involvement in the planning for Wesley, to ensure adequate physical and social infrastructure is provided.	Kāinga Ora and other large-scale developers
Seek more education services to meet the needs of growing neighbourhoods.	Ministry of Education
Seek the planning designation (land set aside) for the Avondale to Southdown rail route.	KiwiRail
Advocate to build power lines underground, particularly where footpath space is limited.	Vector and Entrust
Advocate for ‘beautification’ at the White Swan Road Transpower substation in Mt Roskill.	Transpower





*The Stoddard Road shops.*

# Te whanaketanga ā-ōhanga

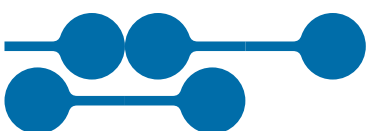
## Economic development

### Our goals are for:

- Puketāpapa to have a thriving local economy and a supportive business environment
- our small local businesses to have the support they need to thrive, connect and be more environmentally friendly
- local job opportunities and training to be available for our people.

### Challenges

- Economic pressures and rising costs limit opportunities for local business and employment.
- The local board area is mainly made up of several small businesses. It has a small local economy with no major employment zones, meaning many people travel out of the area for employment.
- A limited amount of business zoning in the Unitary Plan, for Puketāpapa, which limits the scale of local businesses.
- Development and infrastructure work cause interruptions to local businesses.



## Opportunities

- Culturally diverse businesses can create a point of difference for the rohe (area) and contribute to the unique identity of Puketāpapa.
- The rise of remote and hybrid work creates local opportunities, particularly for local businesses and community hubs.
- Population growth in the area could drive local business growth and provide opportunities for employment.

## Our Plan

<b>Our 3-year goals (Objectives)</b>	<b>What we plan to deliver in the next 3 years to make this happen (Key initiatives)</b>
Investment in local business growth.	<p>Explore options to improve local markets and other events to be more successful and attract people into the area.</p> <p>Fund an arts and events broker to develop strategic relationships and support more community-led local arts, culture and events.</p> <p>Fund the development of a plan to guide the board’s support of local economic development.</p> <p>Support local business networks.</p>
Businesses are supported to have more environmentally friendly practices.	<p>Sustainable business programmes that help reduce carbon emissions.</p> <p>Fund programmes that help reduce pollution.</p>
The local economy is considered in transport decisions	<p>Seek retention of parking spaces for businesses.</p> <p>Minimise disruption to businesses during infrastructure works.</p>

## Advocacy

Some local priorities that matter to our community are not part of our direct decision-making role. ‘Advocacy’ is how we influence other governance decision-makers to prioritise the things our community cares about.

<b>What we will advocate for in the next 3 years (Advocacy)</b>	<b>Who we will advocate to</b>
Advocate for an increase in business-zoned land.	Governing Body
Advocate for progress on the Avondale to Southdown rail route to boost the local economy.	Governing Body and KiwiRail
Advocate to employ local people on local projects.	Large scale contractors
Advocate to minimise disruption to businesses during infrastructure works.	Watercare, Vector and other external agencies





*Learn to Bike programme at Roskill Youth Zone.*

## Tūnuku

# Transport

**Our goals are for:**

- **our transport networks to be well-connected to housing, schools, parks and commercial areas**
- **a range of transport options that are safe, reliable, convenient and sustainable. This includes enough walking, cycling and public transport options to reduce congestion and give people more healthy ways to travel.**

At the time of developing this draft plan, the Government is progressing the *Local Government (Auckland Council) (Transport Governance) Amendment Bill*, which, if passed, will change how transport is governed and delivered in Auckland. While the details of how transport is to be governed in Auckland are still to be confirmed, our community has told us that safe, reliable, and sustainable transport remains a top priority. The local board will continue to advocate strongly for these priorities, and will adapt this section in response to both community feedback and any changes made to the Bill throughout the Parliamentary process.



## Challenges

- At peak times, roads are congested. There is demand for more transport options, but there is also demand for road and footpath space.
- Large-scale housing developments are expected in our local board area, and we need transport links to support this. Unfortunately, they have not yet been planned for.
- Public transport is currently limited to buses and there is not a frequent east to west route.
- Transport costs are becoming unaffordable for many.

## Opportunities

- The area plan for parts of Puketāpapa and Albert-Eden local boards can help identify key transport links in some parts of our local board area.
- Work with large-scale housing programmes to get good transport connections.
- There is an existing walking and cycling network in Puketāpapa and a strong network of community-led groups that support communities with cycling programmes.

## Our priorities

Set out below, are the transport priorities for the Puketāpapa area. In some instances, implementing these may require Governing Body decisions, under the governance arrangements proposed in the *Local Government (Auckland Council) (Transport Governance) Amendment Bill*.

This proposed legislation change is expected to impact on what things might be a part of our direct decision-making role and what things might be considered as advocacy. Due to this uncertainty, the local board’s transport priorities are set out in a single category in this draft plan.

<b>Our 3-year goals (Objectives)</b>	<b>What we want to happen in the next 3 years (Priorities)</b>
Improved transport network that considers planned growth in Puketāpapa.	Advocate to Governing Body to future-proof road routes with appropriate planning tools. Seek intersections, focussing on key intersections and transport links. Improve the efficiency of key road routes, such as Mt Albert, Dominion, Richardson and Hillsborough roads. Improve resilience in the transport network for example with the Avondale to Southdown rail route.
Better use of the road corridor	Seek transport solutions that better-manage traffic flow during peak times, like ‘dynamic’ lanes that can change direction or use, and responsive traffic lights to help reduce waiting times.



Adequate parking supply in business areas	Advocate to the Governing Body to increase the parking standards set out in the Unitary Plan.
Safer roads and footpaths	Seek road safety improvements on Mt Albert Road, Dominion Road and Hillsborough Road.
	Advocate to renew and widen footpaths where possible.
	Advocate to NZ Transport Agency to increase funding to renew footpaths.
	Seek pedestrian safety improvements at the Denbigh Avenue / Dominion Road intersection.
	Invest in expanding the pedestrian and cycling network.
Affordable and frequent public transport that are easy to access	Advocate for an improved local public transport network, particularly east to west, and for better personal safety on buses.
	Increase the number of bus shelters and seating at bus stops..
	Advocate to KiwiRail and neighbouring local boards, to support the Avondaleto Southdown rail route, which will provide rail connections in Puketāpapa.
More walking and cycling, for health and environmental wellbeing	Extend the cycle network with good wayfinding signage.
	Support changes to improve pedestrian and cycle safety particularly for young people.
	Support skills development across a range of transport options including support for the Bike Hub Mt Roskill.
	Support the provision of more secure parking for push bikes.



# He kōrero take pūtea

## Funding information

Local board funding is approved through Auckland Council's budget-setting process. This includes the Governing Body adopting a long-term plan every three years and an annual plan each year.

The Local Board Funding Policy sets out how funding is allocated to local boards for local activities, services and facilities within their decision-making responsibilities.

Funding for local activities, services and facilities is split into:

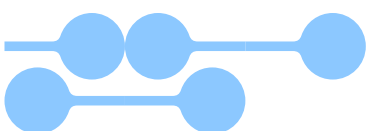
- operating expenditure (opex): to maintain and operate local assets like libraries, pools and parks, and to provide local activities and services
- capital expenditure (capex): to renew and develop local assets.

The priorities in this local board plan will inform decisions about funding that are made through the annual plan process and local board work programmes. This applies to decisions for both operating and capital spend.

Local boards have been allocated decision-making over local levels of service. This means they can prioritise services and initiatives to achieve local objectives, while ensuring costs are managed within the local board's allocated funding.

The financial and levels of service statements in this plan are based on the information included in the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 and the Annual Plan 2025/2026.

The next long-term plan is due to take effect from 1 July 2027. This could change funding for operating and capital spend in our area and will affect how we achieve the goals set out in this local board plan.



# Kaupapa ā-rohe me ngā paerewa ā-mahi

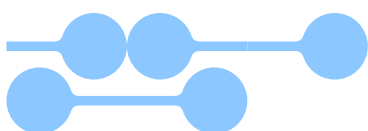
## Levels of service

The Long-term Plan 2024–2034 outlines the decision-making responsibilities of local boards, as set out in legislation or allocated to the local boards. These responsibilities are grouped into local activities and described through levels of service statements. The following table summarises the local activities and levels of service for this local board area.

Local Activities	Level of service statements
<p><b>Local community services</b></p> <p>We support strong, diverse, and vibrant communities through libraries and literacy, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers</p>	<p>Enable a range of choices to access community services and recreation opportunities.</p> <p><i>Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives. *</i></p> <p>Provide urban green spaces (local parks, paths and Ngahere) and access to the Coast</p>
<p><b>Local planning and development</b></p> <p>We support local town centres and communities to thrive by developing town centre plans and development, supporting Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), heritage plans and initiatives</p>	<p>Facilitate economic development opportunities and promote Auckland as a destination (<i>Support a strong economy. *</i>)</p>
<p><b>Local environmental management</b></p> <p>We support healthy ecosystems and sustainability through local board-funded initiatives such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.</p>	<p>Protect, improve and minimise risks to the natural environments and cultural heritage.</p>
<p><b>Local governance</b></p> <p>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, leadership of the preparation of local board plans, support in developing the local board agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.</p>	<p>Lead Council Group response to partnership and participation of Māori in decision making and deliver Māori outcomes (<i>Respond to the needs and aspirations of mana whenua and Māori Communities. *</i>)</p>

\* Levels of service statement from Local Board Agreement.

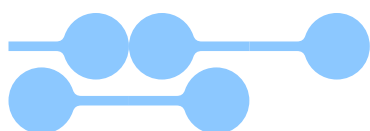
The statement of service provision, default levels of service statements, performance measures and performance targets from our last long-term plan can be found in section 2.6 in [volume 2 of the 10-Long-term Plan 2024-2034](#). The local board's performance measures and performance targets, can be found in the Puketāpapa Local Board Agreement 2025/2026 which is available as part of the [Annual Plan 2025/2026](#).



## Setting priorities and making ‘trade-offs’

The local board will use this plan to inform how it prioritises resources, services and activities in the local area over the next three years. In doing so, it will take into account rising costs, limited resources and changing community needs. When making financial decisions, the local board will:

- prioritise actions that most strongly contribute to achieving the intended outcomes and goals of this local board plan
- consider value for money when making decisions about local services and assets within its decision-making responsibilities
- consider advice on ways to increase funding for services, activities and facilities from sources other than rates where appropriate,
- consider advice on opportunities to work with other local boards and external partners, where this supports shared goals
- consider advice on the ongoing suitability, performance and community value of local assets.



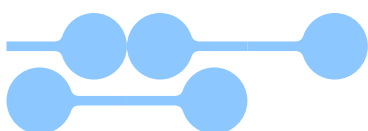
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## Financial overview

The estimated costs shown in the table below for major service priorities are high-level, indicative only, and subject to change. These figures should not be relied upon as final and will be reviewed and updated through the Long-term Plan and Annual Plan processes.

\$000	2026/2027	Indicative 2027/2028	Indicative 2028/2029	Indicative 2029/2030
<b>Operating funding</b>				
General rates	13,087	13,430	13,557	13,730
Targeted rates				
Fees and charges	616	631	646	668
Other revenue	44	30	30	30
<b>Total operating funding</b>	<b>13,748</b>	<b>14,091</b>	<b>14,233</b>	<b>14,428</b>
<b>Operating expenditure</b>				
Community services ( <b>Community</b> )				
Libraries	1,088	1,110	1,132	1,155
Pools and leisure	342	263	86	1
Maintenance	5,850	5,967	6,087	6,209
Utilities	1,082	1,059	1,180	1,209
Other community expenses	4,202	4,489	4,489	4,591
Local Environmental Management ( <b>Natural Environment</b> )	175	180	185	189
Local Planning				
BIDs	7	7	7	7
Other planning expenses				
Local Governance	1,002	1,017	1,067	1,067
<b>Total operating expenditure</b>	<b>13,748</b>	<b>14,091</b>	<b>14,233</b>	<b>14,428</b>
<b>Net operating funding</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Capital funding</b>				
Increase in debt	7,756	7,394	6,218	6,342
<b>Total capital funding</b>	<b>7,756</b>	<b>7,394</b>	<b>6,218</b>	<b>6,342</b>
<b>Capital expenditure</b>				
Community services (Community)	7,756	7,394	6,218	6,342
<b>LBP priority significant capital project - Lynfield Youth and Leisure Centre roof, interior and exterior renewals</b>				
<b>Total capital expenditure</b>	<b>7,756</b>	<b>7,394</b>	<b>6,218</b>	<b>6,342</b>
<b>Net capital funding</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

The local board's latest funding impact statement can be found in the Puketāpapa Local Board Agreement 2025/2026 which is available as part of the [Annual Plan 2025/2026](#).



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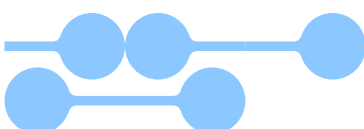


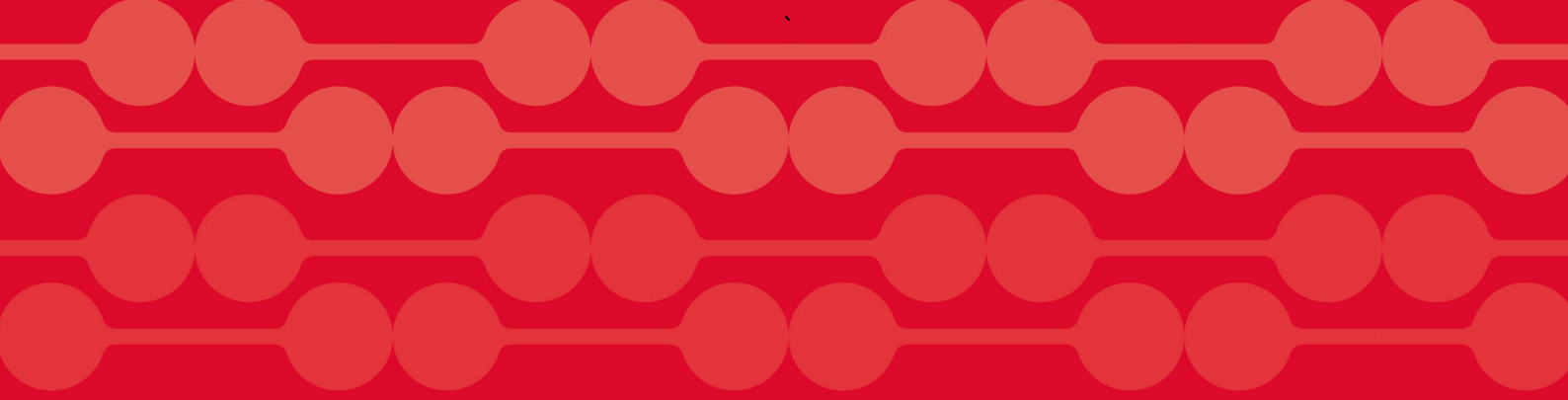
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