

Shoreline Adaptation Plan: Auckland Central

Feedback must be received by **18 December 2024**

We're preparing Shoreline Adaptation Plans (SAP) across the region, in partnership with mana whenua and local communities. Shoreline Adaptation Plans look at how we can adapt and sustainably manage Auckland Council-owned land and assets, including our regional parks, public beaches, local parks, and coastal structures to respond to coastal hazards and climate change over the next 100 years. Recognising the diverse value of the shoreline, these plans also work to promote the preservation and restoration of the coastal environment for future generations.

To help us develop high-level strategies to manage these areas, we use:

- coastal hazard and risk data
- climate change forecasts
- values from mana whenua
- an understanding of the social, policy and ecological context
- input from the local community
- feedback from infrastructure providers.

Through this process, we aim to identify and document the best options for managing our coastal areas over the next century. To help us identify key areas of importance to the community, we want your thoughts on the SAP area from Westhaven (at the southern end of the Auckland Harbour Bridge) in the west to Mechanics Bay in the east (Figure 1).

This area includes (but not limited to):

- Westhaven Marina
- Mechanics Bay
- Silo Park
- Wynard Quarter
- Viaduct Harbour
- The Strand
- Britomart
- Queens Wharf
- Ports of Auckland.

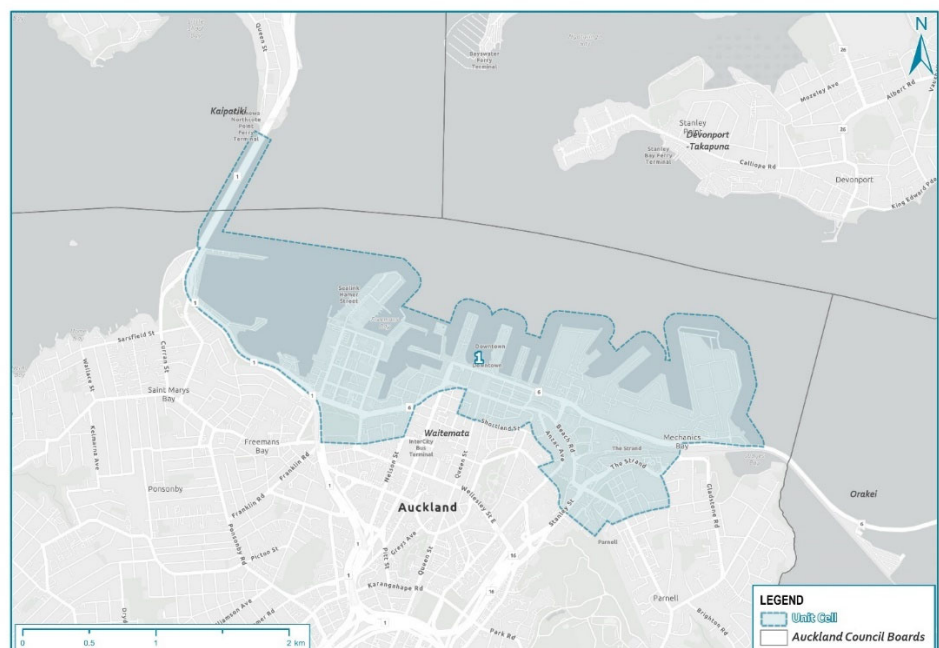


Figure 1: Auckland Central Shoreline Adaptation plan area

We want to know:

- How and why is the coast important to you
- What do you do when you visit the coast
- What council parks you visit, how you access them and what you do there
- What you know about coastal processes, hazards and climate change
- Your aspirations for Auckland's coastal areas
- What you think of the proposed coastal adaptation strategies for Auckland Central
- Is there anything else you think should be included?
- Do you have any other feedback on implementing the plan?

We strongly encourage you to read the supporting Draft Auckland Central Shoreline Adaptation Plan (SAP) report, available on AK Have Your Say before answering any of the following questions.

This report includes the purpose and scope of the plan and implementation, Auckland Central context, community engagement to date and guidance for implementation of each adaptive strategy.

Please note, the Auckland Central Shoreline Adaptation Plan (SAP) is only applicable to Council owned land and assets.

We encourage you to give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz, or you can:

Email the team at

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By freepost

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In person

Drop your completed form off at your local library, service centre or local board office.

Your details

Your name and feedback will be included in public documents. All other personal details will not be made available to the public.

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Email or postal address: _____

Your local board or suburb: _____

Are you providing:

☐ Your **personal** feedback

☐ Feedback as the official representative of an **organisation**

Organisation name: _____

These questions are optional but will help us understand which groups of the community are engaging with us.

What gender are you?

☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Another gender: _____

What age group are you?

☐ Under 15 ☐ 15-17 ☐ 18-24 ☐ 25-34 ☐ 35-44
☐ 45-54 ☐ 55-64 ☐ 65-74 ☐ 75+

Which ethnic group(s) do you feel you belong to? (Please select as many as apply)

☐ Pākehā/NZ European ☐ Māori ☐ Cook Islands Māori
☐ Samoan ☐ Tongan ☐ Indian
☐ Chinese ☐ Southeast Asian ☐ Korean
☐ Other (please specify): _____

What is your connection to the Auckland Central SAP area?

☐ I live here
☐ I don't live here but own property here
☐ I work here
☐ I play here
☐ Other, please specify: _____

Would you like to subscribe to any of the following? (tick all that apply)

☐ People's Panel – to take part in council surveys
☐ OurAuckland – your weekly guide to what's happening in Auckland
☐ Auckland Conversations - free public events offering ideas, inspiration and action for world-class cities

You can also visit AK Have Your Say at akhaveyoursay.nz to find out about, or register to receive regular updates on, consultation activities happening across Auckland

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Your feedback (all questions are optional).

In this feedback form, we want your feedback on the **Auckland Central** SAP area, which covers the area shown in the map above. (Figure 1).

We will ask for your feedback on the **Auckland Central** SAP area through three sections:

- **General** feedback on your values and use of coastal areas overall (what you value about the coast, how you access and use it)
- **Place-specific** feedback relating to specific areas of the **Auckland Central** SAP area (where you go in these areas, what you do there, and how we plan to manage coastal hazards)
- **Future aspirations and other feedback** (any other feedback you want to share, or if you just want to provide some quick comments).

You only have to provide feedback on the sections you want to.

General Feedback:

Values at the coast

When answering this section, think about **why** you visit the coast and what you enjoy most.

1. When thinking about the coastal areas you use in the Auckland Central what values matter the most to you? (select up to three)

- ☐ Access to the water (e.g. boat ramps, wharves, jetties)
- ☐ Ecosystems (Coastal habitats and biodiversity, fauna & flora)
- ☐ Gathering kai moana or fishing
- ☐ Heritage and history
- ☐ Natural form and character
- ☐ Recreation and amenity (general enjoyment, swimming, water sports)
- ☐ Sense of connection to the coast
- ☐ Social, cultural or community connection
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Uses and access

When answering this section, think about **how** you interact with the coast and what it is that you like to do when you are at the Auckland Central coastline.

2. How do you most often get to the coast?

- ☐ Walk or cycle
- ☐ Private vehicle (e.g. car, motorbike, E-scooter etc)
- ☐ Public transport (e.g. bus, train)
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

3. How often do you visit the coast?

- ☐ Daily or most days
- ☐ Once or twice a week
- ☐ Once or twice a month
- ☐ Less often
- ☐ Never
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Place specific feedback

In this section, we want feedback on areas you visit, activities you do there, coastal hazards you have experienced and your thoughts on the draft adaptation strategies for specific areas. We have grouped the questions into areas.

You only need to give feedback on the areas of interest to you.

We have identified the following coastal adaptation strategies in the Auckland Central area for the short (0-20 years), medium (20- 60 years) and long term (60 – 100 years).

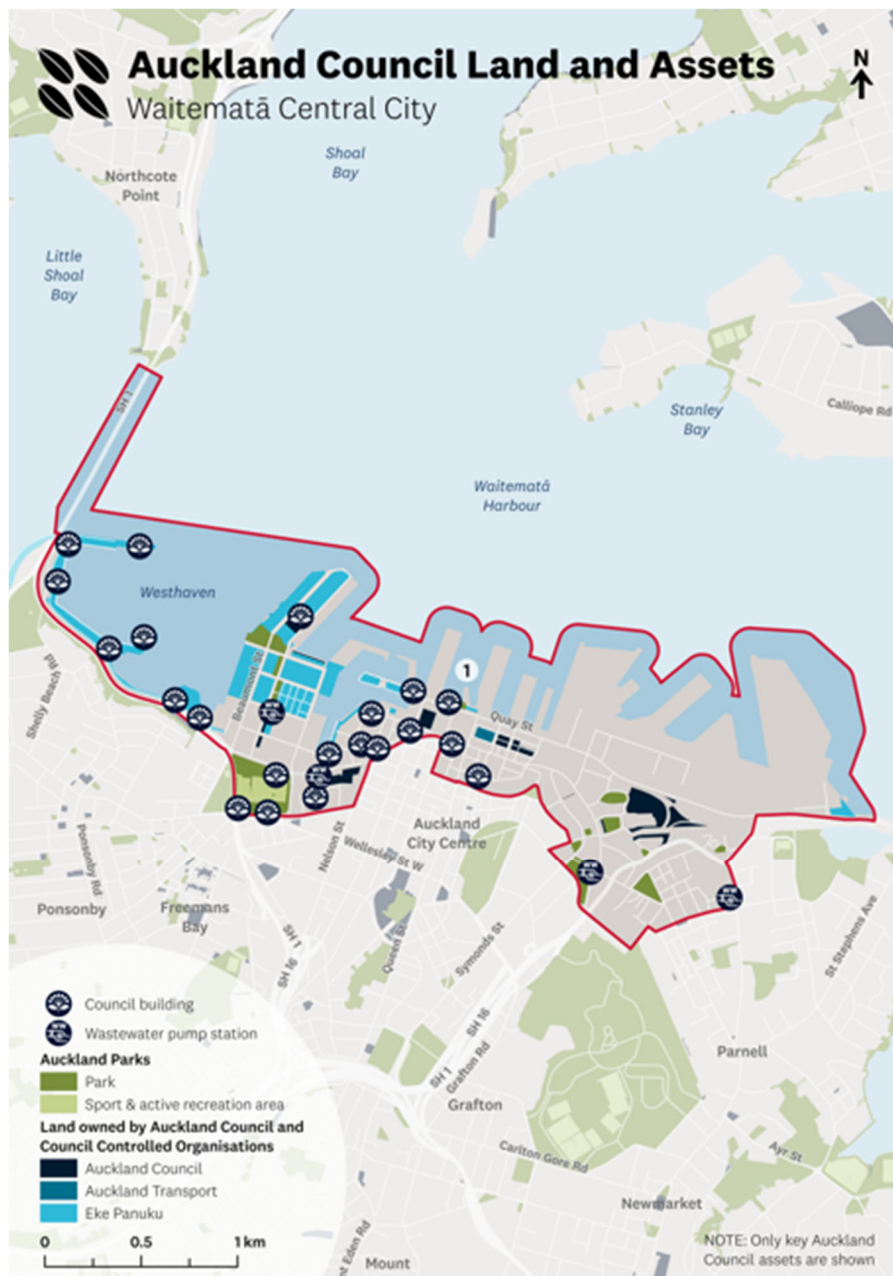
Table 1: Adaptation strategies		
Strategy name	Summary	What does this mean?
Hold the line	The coastal edge is fixed at a certain location.	- Defence of the coastal edge may be through nature-based options (e.g. beach nourishment) or engineered hard structures (e.g. sea walls). - Nature-based options are the preferred method where possible, but in most cases engineered hard structures would be required. - An identified use or service is maintained within its existing location, e.g. a road is maintained in a fixed location or parks' land uses are maintained in an existing location. - This approach could result in losing some intertidal areas or beach space due to preventing landward realignment of the coast in response to sea-level rise.
Limited intervention	Maintaining and managing risk to existing assets, uses and land.	- Repair and maintenance of existing protection structures. - Works may support localised realignment of individual assets. - Maintain uses or assets within a general area, not in a fixed location. - Does not support a fixed coastline.
Adaptation priority area	Further adaptation planning is required to manage risks to council owned land and assets within a certain area.	- Further engagement with multiple partners, communities and stakeholders will be required to ensure risk from coastal hazards can be managed and other values maintained. - Assets and land uses are relocated or realigned from hazard areas to reduce risk to assets/activities and maintain identified values (ecological, cultural, recreational etc). - Relocation is planned and undertaken proactively over time. - Planning to retreat or relocate assets and land uses are responsive to community, cultural and ecological opportunities needs and aspirations. - Supports opportunity for nature-based solutions, and maintenance of coastal values.
No active intervention	- Natural processes are allowed to continue. - Active management of risk to council land and assets is not required.	- Includes no investment in the provision or maintenance of any hazard protection structures associated with coastal hazards and flood protection (does not apply to the management of land stability or subsidence or other hazard risk management). - This strategy is identified for areas of the coastline where Auckland Council-owned land and assets are not identified as exposed/vulnerable to coastal hazard and catchment flooding risk. - Does not preclude the management of risk if required.

Unit 1: Auckland Central

The Auckland Central SAP area is located along the Waitematā Harbour, spanning 10 km from Westhaven to Mechanics Bay. It features popular community spaces like Silo Park and Wynyard Quarter, offering parks, restaurants, and events. Viaduct Harbour and Britomart offer cafes, residences, offices, and waterfront views, while Queens Wharf and the Ports of Auckland serve as industrial areas for maritime activities.

Residential areas like Wynyard Quarter, Viaduct Harbour, The Strand, and Britomart primarily consist of apartment-style accommodation with commercial uses on lower levels. Commercial Bay, lower Queen Street, and Britomart are key commercial areas. The area provides extensive public transport options, including bus, ferry, and train services, with Britomart Train Station and Queens Wharf serving as major transport hubs. Ferry services, the Port, and Westhaven Marina connect to the waterfront, offering dining, accommodation, and walking tracks”.

Overall, the SAP area provides access to the coastal environment, social infrastructure, commercial and retail spaces, marine activities, and a range of residential options.



Places and Infrastructure

4A. Which beaches and/or coastal parks do you visit in Unit 1: Auckland Central and why?

4B. What activities do you do when visiting these beaches and/or coastal parks in Unit 1: Auckland Central?

- ☐ Passive recreation (e.g. sitting, relaxing, picnicking, sunbathing)
- ☐ Walking or running on the beach, walkways or roads (e.g. for exercise, dog walking etc)
- ☐ Cycling on coastal walkways or roads
- ☐ Active adventure sports (e.g. paragliding, horse riding, mountain biking, motor cross etc)
- ☐ Passive water-based activities (e.g. swimming, playing in the water)
- ☐ Active water-based activities (e.g. surfing, wind/kite surfing, paddle boarding)
- ☐ Open water-based activities (e.g. boating, sailing)
- ☐ Coastal or shore-based fishing or kai moana gathering
- ☐ Nature watching (e.g. watching birds, marine mammals etc)
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Coastal change, hazards, climate change, and adaptation

4C. Which coastal processes or coastal hazards have you experienced or are most concerned about for Unit 1: Auckland Central (select up to three)

- ☐ Coastal accretion (the natural build-up of land/sediment at the coast)
- ☐ Coastal erosion (the loss of land to the sea)
- ☐ Coastal inundation (flooding caused by water from the sea inundating the land)
- ☐ Coastal storm events
- ☐ Rainfall flooding (extreme flood events)
- ☐ Sea level rise
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

4D. When reflecting on coastal hazards, what changes have you observed for Unit 1: Auckland Central? And how did this change the way you interact with the coast?

Draft coastal adaptation strategies for Unit 1: Auckland Central

The map and table below outline the strategies planned to manage coastal hazards for each stretch of this coastal area.



To answer this section, please refer to the table which describes the strategies, and the map above, which shows the location of stretches 1.1.

Stretch	Short term	Medium term	Long term
1.1 Auckland Waterfront	Hold the line	Hold the line	Hold the line

4E. Reflecting on the table above and the write up in the draft adaptation strategy report, are there any areas you think we should apply a different strategy?

(Tell us which area and **why** you think the strategy should be changed. Please ensure to include what area/stretch and timeframes you are referring to)

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Other Feedback and future aspirations

To answer this section, think about the answers you have provided above – consider how you access and use these areas and what you value about them.

5. What type of values you would like to see maintained, enhanced or restored in the Auckland Central coastal areas?

6. Do you have any aspirations for access, facilities or uses at the coast in the Auckland Central Shoreline Adaptation Plan area in the future?

7. Do you have any other feedback on Auckland Central Shoreline Adaptation Plan?

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