

Te Mahere ā-Tau 2025/2026

ANNUAL PLAN 2025/2026

**Volume 2:
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 Tāmakaui 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.



He kōrero mō tēnei tuhinga

About this document

This is Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland Council’s plan for what we will spend money on and the services we will provide during the 2025/2026 financial year, the second year of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034. It was informed by public consultation that ran from 28 February to the end of March 2025.

This included online feedback opportunities and in-person events across the Auckland region. We received more than 13,000 pieces of feedback from a wide range of ages and ethnic groups. This plan was adopted by the council’s Governing Body on 26 June 2025.

Annual Plan 2025/2026 Volumes

1

Our annual plan for 2025/2026

Volume 1 includes our plan for the 2025/2026 financial year including the financial overview for the Auckland Council Group, key changes to rates and other fees and projects we aim to deliver for the year. This volume also includes The Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority operational plan.



2

Local board information and agreements

Volume 2 includes information about each of the 21 local boards and their planned expenditure for the 2025/2026 financial year.



Rārangi kōrero

Contents

1	Local board overview.....	4
	Local board overview	5
	Developing local priorities	6
	Funding.....	7
2	Local board information	10
	Albert-Eden	11
	Aotea / Great Barrier	21
	Devonport-Takapuna	30
	Franklin	40
	Henderson-Massey	50
	Hibiscus and Bays	60
	Howick.....	70
	Kaipātiki	80
	Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	91
	Manurewa Local Board	102
	Maungakiekie-Tāmaki.....	113
	Ōrākei	122
	Ōtara-Papatoetoe.....	131
	Papakura	142
	Puketāpapa	153
	Rodney	163
	Upper Harbour	174
	Waiheke	184
	Waitākere Ranges	193
	Waitematā	203
	Whau	213
3	Decision-making responsibilities of Auckland Council’s Governing Body and local boards.....	224
4	Additional information	237
	Our structure	238
	Glossary of terms	240
	How to contact the council	243

1

He kōrero whānui mō ngā poari ā-rohe

Local board overview



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

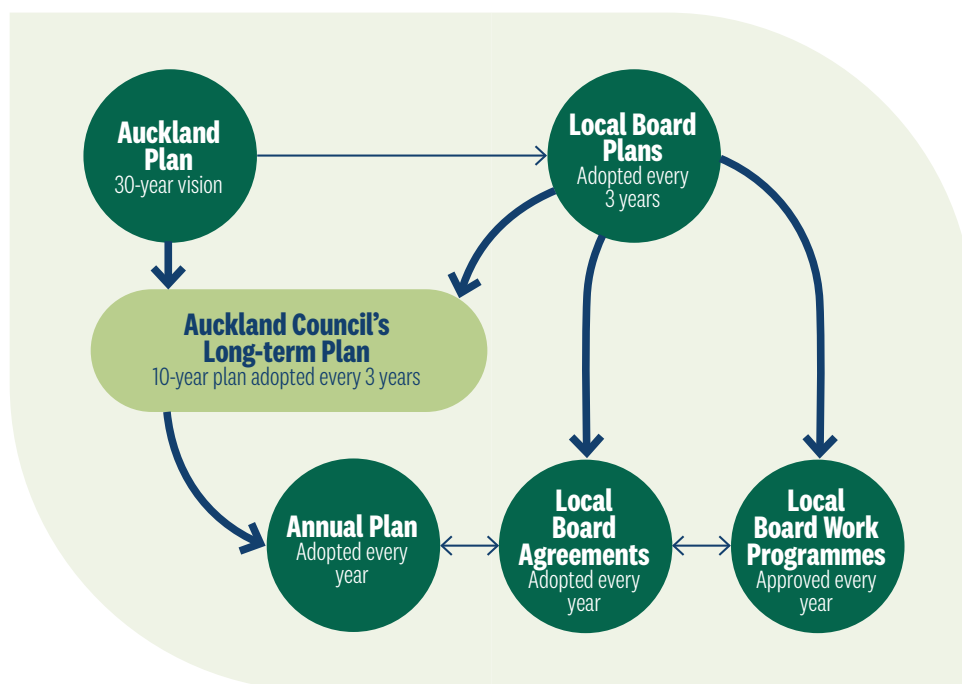
Local board plans are strategic documents that set the direction for local boards and also inform the long-term plan. Reflecting community priorities and preferences, the plans are developed every three years to guide local board activity, funding and investment decisions. They also influence local board 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 - Waitemātā	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 - Waitemātā	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.

2

Ngā pārongo me ngā whakaaetanga a ngā poari ā-rohe

Local board information



Te Poari ā-Rohe o Albert-Eden

Albert-Eden Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Thank you to everyone who submitted feedback on the Annual Budget 2025/2026. Your feedback has once again helped shape our direction for the year ahead, and it's encouraging to see the community so engaged.

We heard a clear message: strong support for our local board priorities.

In particular you backed our focus on:

- community wellbeing and safety
- supporting vibrant town centres so people can live, work, shop and play in our local villages
- maintaining our facilities
- increasing the profile and impact of the [Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre](#).

Your voice continues to guide how and where we invest.

Thanks to the new 'fairer funding' approach, we are now in a much stronger position to deliver services for our community. This is a significant and exciting shift. It means we can finally move ahead with work previously delayed by a lack of money.

This work includes:

- renewing roofs on our facilities
- helping to keep our public spaces safe, functional and welcoming
- delivering park restoration and renewal plans.

These projects will improve our parks, open spaces and community assets. They will add real value to our neighbourhoods.

A key focus for us is Point Chevalier where we continue to push for a new library and community hub. These facilities would be a major step towards providing learning support, connection and inclusive services in one of our fastest-growing areas.

At the core of our approach is a commitment to community wellbeing. We want to make sure local programmes and spaces reflect the diverse needs of our people.

We are also reinforcing the importance of safety in and around our town centres so our public spaces feel vibrant, secure and welcoming for everyone.

Thank you again for having your say — your input truly makes a difference.

Ngā mihi,

Kendyl Smith

Chair Albert-Eden Local Board

Albert-Eden Local Board area



We are home to more than **105** local parks, **3** libraries, **13** community centres and halls



A population of **96,630** which is projected to reach 103,946 by 2050



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)



Motorway



Major road



Arterial road



Medium road



Minor road



Distinctive villages include Mt Eden, Kingsland, Sandringham, Balmoral, Greenwood's Corner, Mt Albert and Pt Chevalier

Three maunga surround the area - Mangawhau / Mt Eden, Ōwairaka / Te Ahi-kā-a-Rakataura / Mt Albert and Te Kōpuke / Tītikōpuke / Mt St John

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

Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2023

The Albert-Eden 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are thriving, have a strong sense of connection to Albert-Eden and celebrate our differences. Te ao Māori is valued and reflected in the rohe.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Our natural environment is valued and cared for, people feel a connection to our local parks, awa (streams) and coast and are involved in improving them. Individuals, households, neighbourhoods, businesses and communities adopt climate-friendly practices and transition to low carbon, sustainable lifestyles.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our communities have the places and activities that enhance their lifestyles. There is strong local leadership and participation in decision-making processes. Our community is resilient and supportive, particularly through times of change and challenge, so we can thrive.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our changing neighbourhoods reflect our unique identity and are well-designed, creating places that are great to live, work and play. There are many options to move around which are safe and easy to use.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our town centres thrive and support a varied business landscape. Albert-Eden is a vibrant and exciting place to visit.

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 Albert-Eden Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- strengthening existing relationships with [Te Mahurehure Cultural Marae](#) and supporting them to achieve their priority projects
- reconnecting with the new leadership at [Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Maungārongo](#) and with [Te Noho Kotahitanga Marae](#) at Unitec to understand their goals and support kura-led and Māori-led kaupapa.

Albert-Eden 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	\$21.6 million	\$475,000	\$652,000	\$1.1 million	\$23.9 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$7.3 million	-	-	-	\$7.3 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Albert-Eden 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 \$21.6 million and capital investment of \$7.3 million.

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

- run more activities and events from our libraries and community centres in Pt Chevalier, Mt Albert, Sandringham and Epsom
- enjoy the new modular library in Pt Chevalier while we continue looking into a long-term solution for a library and community centre, and options for how we will fund it
- improve community wellbeing and neighbourhood safety and resilience, and better-prepare our communities for emergencies
- deliver projects from the [Windmill Park](#) concept plan and confirm plans for a new local park and work to restore the stream at [Chamberlain Park](#)
- upgrade [Mt Albert Aquatic Centre](#), [Epsom Library](#), the toilets at [Potters Park](#), the playground at [Coyle Park](#) and our three large halls in [Mt Eden](#), [Mt Albert](#) and [Western Springs](#)
- plant more trees to grow our urban ngahere (forest cover)
- provide more local events and arts and culture projects, especially in local parks and town centres.

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

- Our people
- Our community
- Our places

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	336,385	318,000	340,000
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	567,000	637,000
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	87%	94%
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			
<i>(Urban Ngahere delivers specimen trees intended to be over 3m tall. Additional plantings will occur outside of this programme.)</i>	New measure	36	71

¹ Pt Chevalier Library will move to a larger site and there will be additional hours for Pt Chevalier library and Mt Albert Library.

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 includes 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 \$652,000.

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

- support our business associations and vibrant town centres so people can live, work, shop and play in our local villages.

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Albert-Eden Local Board Plan:

- Our economy

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 \$475,000.

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

- reduce pollution in our waterways and increase the profile and impact of [Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre](#)
- support volunteer work to restore our awa (streams) and parks to reduce pests and increase planting
- continue local climate action by planting trees, restoring parks and funding community action through our [Climate Activator](#).

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Albert-Eden Local Board Plan:

- Our Environment

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 community groups supported in sustainable initiative programmes ⁴	New measure	9	38
Number of community groups supported in stream enhancement programmes.	New measure	4	4
Number / hours of volunteers undertaking animal and/or plant pest control ⁴	New measure	517 volunteers 1030 hours	360 volunteers 722 hours

⁴The target has changed compared to prior year due to a change in which local board projects contribute towards this target

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 \$1.1 million.

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) (Auckland Council’s Māori outcomes framework).	New measure	Set baseline	Set baseline

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Albert-Eden 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	16,190	23,484
Targeted rates	610	631
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	28	28
Fees and charges	2,084	2,184
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	109	189
Total operating funding	19,022	26,516
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	14,969	21,842
Finance costs	1,639	1,791
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,262	2,719
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	18,870	26,352
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	152	165
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure		
Development and financial contributions		
Increase (decrease) in debt	3,736	7,173
Gross proceeds from sale of assets		
Lump sum contributions		
Other dedicated capital funding		
Total sources of capital funding	3,736	7,173
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	238	205
- to improve the level of service	416	400
- to replace existing assets	3,235	6,742
Increase (decrease) in reserves		
Increase (decrease) in investments		
Total applications of capital funding	3,889	7,348
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(152)	(165)
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
Responding to growth	Growth funding to respond to the increase in development and support the future community living in our area and for upgrading or expanding existing parks, acquisition of new open space, sportsfields, building new indoor court facilities and community facilities. Pt Chevalier to be considered as a priority area, to cater for the heavy intensification at Kukūnga Waka (Carrington residential development) and other developments.
Pt Chevalier library and community centre	Additional funding to be able to deliver a replacement library and community centre services in Pt Chevalier.
Maungawhau Precinct Development	Accelerate the Maungawhau precinct development surrounding Maungawhau station, coordinated with the City Rail Link delivery schedule, and in partnership with stakeholders to ensure the project contributes positively to the future of Eden Terrace, Newton and the Uptown commercial area.
Dominion Road	Upgrades to Dominion Road corridor, given the changes to the light rail project and lack of investment in the area over the past decade.
Enhancing compliance and enforcement to address roaming dogs	Additional dog control resourcing and enforcement to better address roaming dog issues.
Flood-affected properties	Accelerated removal of buildings from purchased properties noting the negative impact empty and damaged buildings have on neighbours and the local community, and that expedited removal will allow sites to be potentially used for flood resilience projects. An additional approach to ensure an acceptable level of maintenance and upkeep for private properties outside buy-out scheme which may appear 'abandoned', to ensure they do not become derelict, safety hazards or a risk to the wider community, or attract illegal dumping.

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.



Kendyl Smith

Chairperson
Mobile: 021 288 8398
kendyl.smith@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Margi Watson

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile: 021 287 8333
margi.watson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Christina Robertson

Mobile: 021 194 0621
christina.robertson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Jack Tan

Mobile: 027 334 3125
jack.tan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



José Fowler

Mobile: 021 369 537
jose.fowler@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Julia Maskill

Mobile: 021 198 1063
julia.maskill@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Liv Roe

Mobile: 027 334 8216
liv.roe@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Rex Smith

Mobile: 027 275 3094
rex.smith@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email albertedenlocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Albert-Eden Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Aotea / Great Barrier

Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

I'd like to acknowledge my Aotea community for all the amazing work they do:

- to mana whenua for their leadership and support
- to the service centre and emergency response teams for always being ready and putting our community first
- to all our contractors for keeping the island at its best
- to the environmental community groups and Department of Conservation (DoC) for their passion for wetland planting, pest control and marine monitoring
- to the community groups for providing all local services like health, wellbeing and education
- to my fellow board members and council staff for their commitment to the governance of our motu.

The island would not be the self-resilient and innovative oasis it is without you.

There was clear support in the recent Annual Plan consultation for the local board to continue with our local board priorities in the work programme. Therefore, for financial year 2025/2026, we will continue to provide grants to:

- local groups to deliver community services and environmental projects, and
- for the council to deliver core operational services like the library, track maintenance and upgrading our parks and playgrounds.

We will also continue our advocacy for the protection of our coastal waters with local Ahu Moana projects and the response to the exotic *Caulerpa* pest seaweed.

Take care,



Izzy Fordham

Chairperson Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board

Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board area



1,251 permanent residents
51% of residents are aged 50 years and older



LEGEND



Local board office



Dept. of
Conservation
(DOC) Land



Road



Marae

Over **60%** of the island is
Department of Conservation
estate; **43%** of which is the
Aotea Conservation Park



One of **23** places in the world to
be designated an International
Dark-Sky Sanctuary; one of four
sanctuaries in Aotearoa

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

Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board Plan 2023

The Aotea / Great Barrier 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

We see a future where mana whenua aspirations are realised and relationships are respected; where our community is resilient and cared for; a place where our community groups are empowered, sustainable and independent; where our local businesses and social enterprises retain employment; an island that is a great place to live and visit.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

We see a future where our wharves and airfields meet our needs; where our connectivity is fast and reliable; a place where our roads are sealed, well maintained, and shared safely; where our accessways and tracks link up to our village spaces; an island that has affordable and sustainable housing for everyone.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

We see a future where our community deals with pests collaboratively; where our food and water supply are safe and secure; a place that protects and celebrates its night sky; where we showcase zero waste and low carbon practices; an island where our streams run clean and free, and marine waters are protected and full of life.

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 Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board Plan aims to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to participate 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
 - share information with Māori.
- collaborating with iwi on projects of significance such as:
 - Tū Mai Tāonga
 - Ahu Moana
 - Tai Tu Moana
 - visitor information.
- taking opportunities to create a Māori identity in our parks and facilities through actions like:
 - naming or renaming places
 - using 'interpretation' signage to share stories about the area's heritage
 - installing pou whenua.

Aotea / Great Barrier 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	\$3.0 million	\$225,000	-	\$850,000	\$4.0 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$1.7 million	-	-	-	\$1.7 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board Local Board area are included for the following local activity areas:

- Local community services
- 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 a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$3.0m and capital investment of \$1.7m.

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

- funding for community groups to deliver services for the elderly, young people and businesses, and to improve housing and island resilience
- funding for a food resilience co-ordinator and community garden manager
- funding for Ngāti Rehua Ngātiwai ki Aotea Trust to deliver the Visitor Information Centre
- continuing our regular services and maintenance of the library, parks and assets including improvements for playgrounds
- providing local grants for our community to maintain their facilities and deliver events and projects.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board Plan:

- Our people
- Our environment
- Our places.

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	10,150	10,900	10,900
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition ²	New measure	88%	95%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	12	12
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	15	15
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 ²	New measure	97%	91%

¹The Great Barrier Service Centre and Library are one multi use facility.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

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 \$225,000.

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

- funding community-led environmental groups including Oruawharo Medlands Ecovision, Ecology Vision and the Okiwi ecology programme
- funding Aotea zero waste leadership projects and a construction and demolition waste advisor.

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board Plan:

- Our people
- Our environment
- Our places.

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 community events around natural environment enhancement ³	New measure	21	26
Number of community groups supported to undertake waste initiatives	New measure	5	5

³The 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 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 \$850,000.

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 Aotea / Great Barrier 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	3,002	4,519
Targeted rates	0	0
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	0	0
Fees and charges	0	0
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	2	1
Total operating funding	3,003	4,520
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	2,399	3,699
Finance costs	288	334
Internal charges and overheads applied	316	494
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	3,003	4,527
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	1	(7)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	399	1,658
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	399	1,658
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	3	60
- to improve the level of service	234	145
- to replace existing assets	164	1,445
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	400	1,651
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(1)	7
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
Exotic <i>Caulerpa</i> communications	Our Environmental Services team do great work continuing the efforts to reduce the spread of exotic <i>Caulerpa</i> in the Hauraki Gulf. It is a huge task managing the invasive weed in a marine environment alongside iwi, Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI), Fisheries NZ and the community. We are requesting continued support for communications to keep educational public messaging about exotic <i>Caulerpa</i>.
Local management of Aotea coastline and fisheries	With the recent closure of both recreational and commercial spiny rock lobster fishing in the inner Hauraki Gulf, we are extremely concerned about fishing efforts being shifted to the outer Gulf and heavily impacting Aotea. Residents have already noted an increase of fishing activities around the coastline. We are beginning conversations with iwi, Fisheries NZ, MPI, central government and our community about the possibility of establishing local management of Aotea coastline and fisheries. We will keep you informed as discussions progress.

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.



Izzy Fordham

Chairperson

Mobile 021 286 7555

Izzy.fordham@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Patrick Oshea

Mobile 021 352 128

patrick.oshea@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Neil Sanderson

Mobile 027 334 1113

neil.sanderson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Chris Ollivier

Deputy Chairperson

Mobile 027 225 4302

chris.ollivier@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email aoteagreatbarrierlocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

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.

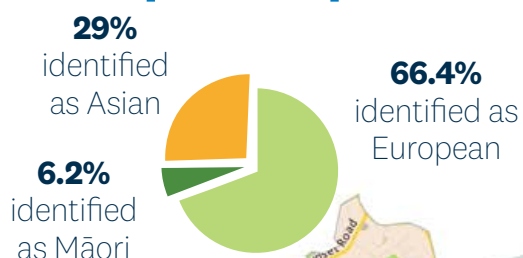
Ngā mihi,



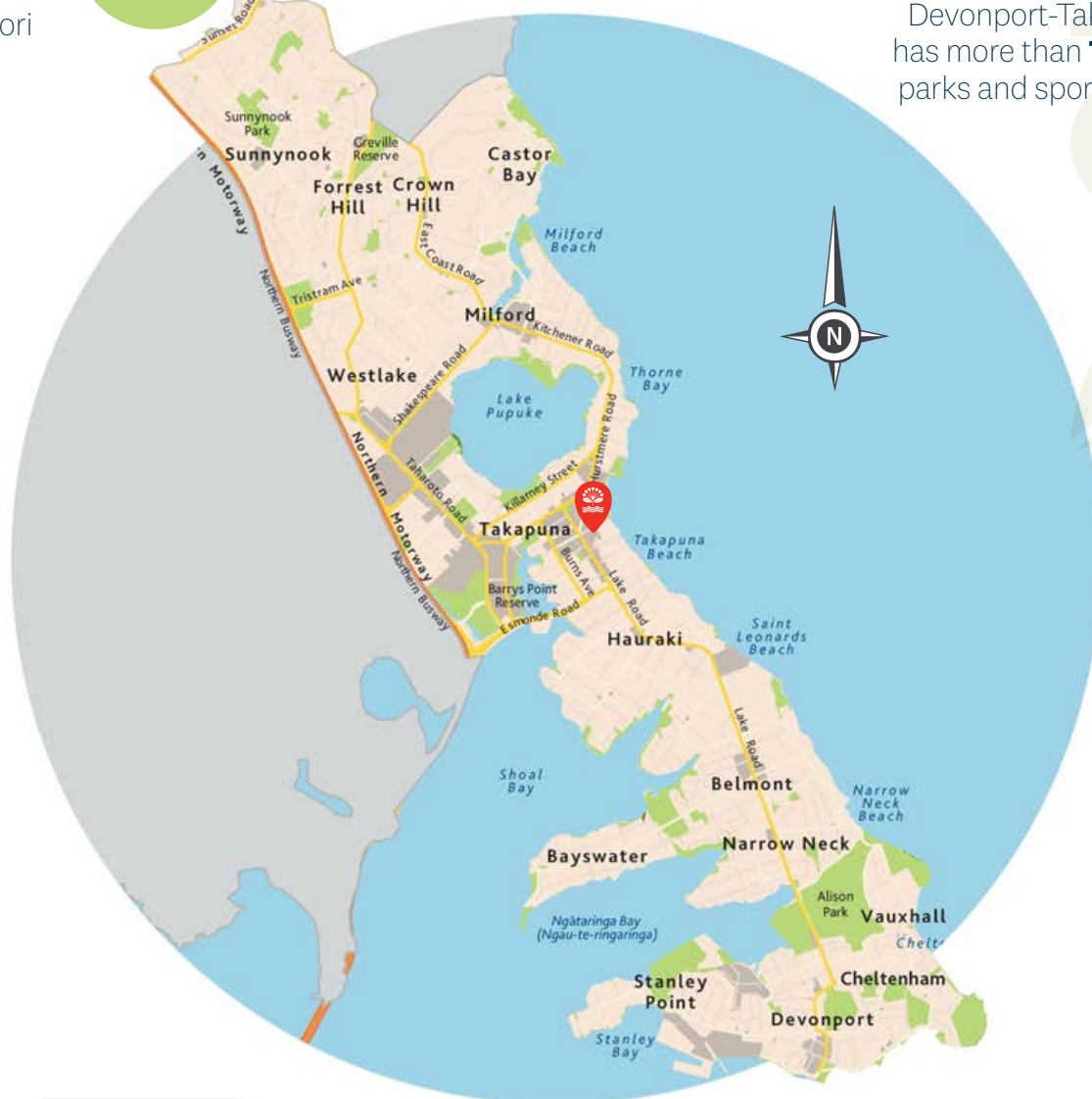
Melissa Powell

Chair Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area



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



LEGEND



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 <i>(Urban Ngahere delivers specimen trees intended to be over 3m tall. Additional plantings will occur outside of this programme.)</i>	New measure	36	71

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

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

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

⁴The 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.



Melissa Powell

Chairperson
Mobile 027 325 2822
melissa.powell@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Terence Harpur

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 027 334 1511
terence.harpur@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Gavin Busch

Mobile 027 292 8033
gavin.busch@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



George Wood, CNZM

Mobile 021 0822 0925
george.wood@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Peter Allen

Mobile 027 334 9478
peter.allen@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email devonporttakapuna@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Devonport-Takapuna Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Franklin

Franklin Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Thank you to all those in the community that took the time to provide feedback on the Local Board's proposed priorities. We received majority support for all our proposals and are progressing them in more detail with specific comments from our community in mind.

Having successfully advocated for a fairer funding allocation through the long-term plan development, we have embraced the task of allocating our additional operational funding to the things that matter most to our communities.

While the detail of how we will address the issue of service deficits in Beachlands, Clevedon and our more remote communities, we are confident that the budget allocation is sufficient to make a substantial difference. We look forward to working with these communities to design a fit for purpose outcome based on need and local preference. We will have a particular focus on understanding the needs of our young people as we progress.

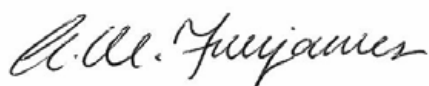
We are more than doubling our investment in Sport and Rec facilities, with a one-off injection into development of the Te Puru sports centre and Karaka sports park as a response to local growth. We are investing heavily in environmental restoration programmes, water quality improvement partnerships and planting programmes, reflecting strong local support for this work.

We are also increasing our investment in Local Economic Development so that our local people are supported to leverage opportunity from development and so that Franklin is an attractive place to live, work, innovate and prosper.

We look forward to progressing from planning and preparation for local paths and trails to 'shovel in the ground'. We know that to deliver everything we have planned we will need to secure funding from other parties and are focussed on embracing that challenge.

As I approach my final few months as Chair of the Franklin Local Board, I am confident that we have a plan in place that will progress a range of initiatives and programmes that reflect what is important to our residents. It has been an honour and privilege to have served Franklin, and the Wairoa sub-division. I wish the new board members all the very best in executing our local plan, and to the Mayor and Councillors in delivering at the regional level.

Ngā mihi,



Angela Fulljames

Chair Franklin Local Board

Franklin Local Board area



A population of **84,357** expected to increase to **168,685** by 2050



Home to **32** community halls



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)

Motorway

Major road

Arterial road

Medium road

Minor road



We are home to more than **190** local parks and sportsfields, **2** libraries **1** recreation centres and **3** pools

Franklin has just under **20,000ha** of parkland, ranging from small urban parks to large regional parks on the coast

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

Franklin Local Board Plan 2023

The Franklin 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Empower and enable all people in our community, with a focus on key groups – Māori, young people, the aged and disabled communities.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Support both urban and rural Franklin communities in their efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve the health and function of waterways, increase canopy cover, and eradicate pest species.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Support the community to plan and deliver activities celebrating local history, engaging new residents in community life, that promote healthy active lifestyles, environmental sustainability and local resilience. Improving access to Auckland Council services and facilities.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Make changes to our current facilities network so that our parks, libraries, community halls and recreational facilities are fit for purpose, and deliver to future need and budget constraints.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Facilitate Franklin-centric economic development initiatives that leverage local opportunity from growth from our unique attributes and that are a platform for future prosperity.

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 Franklin Local Board Plan aims to deliver positive outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver positive Māori outcomes are those that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to take part in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- support for the Ara Kōtui Programme that brings southern Iwi and southern local boards together to discuss opportunities to improve the role of iwi in local decision-making
- investing in the local board's Māori Partnership Programme, that enables the local board to engage directly with individual iwi in the Franklin rohe (area) on specific goals and priorities
- investing in Te Kete Rukuruku, enabling the gifting on Māori placenames and the Ruku ki uta Ruku ki tai programme to share and celebrate the history of these sites with the wider community, and to promote the use of te reo Māori
- support to introduce co-governance approaches similar to the [Waiomanu Reserves Management Committee](#)
- support for a co-governance approach to creating a monument at Pukekohe Cemetery to recognise unmarked graves, many of which are the graves of Māori children
- investing in and supporting environmental restoration programmes that enable iwi participation and leadership, and to express kaitiakitanga (guardianship).

Franklin 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	\$21.3 million	\$1.4 million	\$846,000	\$1.4 million	\$25.0 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$11.1 million	-	-	-	\$11.1 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Franklin 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 council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$21.3 million and capital investment of \$11.1 million.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- set up community hub services in Beachlands that provide better access to council customer services and library and arts services
- explore options to provide a community-led community hub in Clevedon
- broaden out out-reach programmes with a focus on our most isolated villages and settlements
- increase investment in youth programmes, and further understanding challenges faced by young people in Franklin
- accelerate delivery on the Sports and Recreational Plan through additional investment
- grant one-off funding for Karaka Sports Park and the Te Puru Sports Centre as key third-party sport and recreation facilities that are catering for rapid population growth.

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

- Ō Tātou Tāngata/Our people: Empower and enable all people in our community, with a focus on key groups – Māori, young people, the aged and disabled communities.
- Tō Tātou Hapori/Our community: Support the community to plan and deliver activities celebrating local history, engaging new residents in community life, that promote healthy active lifestyles, environmental sustainability and local resilience. Improving access to Auckland Council services and facilities.
- Ō Tātou Wāhi/Our places: Make changes to our current facilities network so that our parks, libraries, community halls and recreational facilities are fit for purpose, and deliver to future need and budget constraints.

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	231,426	213,000	239,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New measure	241,000	193,000
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 ²	New measure	82%	92%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability ³	New measure	13	15
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities ³	New measure	10	13
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 ²	New measure	95%	90%

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries and pools and leisure centres, the targets have been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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 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 \$846,000.

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

- deliver local business opportunities through our Community Partnerships Programmes by supporting Pukekohe Business Association, Waiuku Development and Business Association, Clevedon Community and Business Association and Clarks Beach-Waiu Pa Community and Business Association
- increase investment in the Franklin Local Economic Development programme to develop the local economy and leverage opportunities from development and growth, including the significant growth in Drury.

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

- Tā Tātou Ōhanga/Our economy - Facilitate Franklin-centric economic development initiatives that leverage local opportunity from growth, from our unique attributes and that are a platform for future prosperity.

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 \$1.4 million.

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

- increase support for community and Iwi-led environmental restoration and pest eradication programmes such as Te Korowai o Papatuaanuku and Te Ara Hikoi (Pest Free Franklin)
- speed-up tree planting in public places and develop an [urban ngahere \(forest\) strategy](#) to increase tree canopy cover in urban areas
- invest in programmes that enable landowners to manage erosion and protect our waterways
- deliver the first stage of the [Franklin Paths Programme](#) projects, enabling our communities to walk, cycle and ride safely around and between neighbourhoods

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Franklin Local Board Plan:

- Tō Tātou Taiao/Our environment - Support both urban and rural Franklin communities in their efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve the health and function of waterways, increase canopy cover, and eradicate pest species.
- Tō Tātou Hapori/Our community - Support the community to plan and deliver activities that promote environmental sustainability and local 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	4	4
Number of animal or plant pest management events	New measure	8	8

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 \$1.4 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Franklin 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	19,302	24,876
Targeted rates	665	2,460
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	12	12
Fees and charges	352	290
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	82	81
Total operating funding	20,412	27,718
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	15,978	22,677
Finance costs	2,078	2,331
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,338	2,742
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	20,394	27,750
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	18	(31)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	7,668	11,167
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	7,668	11,167
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	632	1,639
- to improve the level of service	477	1,546
- to replace existing assets	6,578	7,951
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	7,686	11,136
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(18)	31
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
Prioritised growth funding for the development of parks and facilities in greenfield development areas	We need urgent funding for growth in areas where we have acquired land, but where play and recreation services remain undeveloped due a lack of local funding. We need this funding for: 27 Trevor McMiken Drive, Patumahoe – we request early access to funding. - Papahua, Pukekohe - we will request early access to more funding to grow this area. - Poohutukawa, 77 Tahuna Minhinnick Drive, Glenbrook Beach – we will request access to funding in the 2026 financial year to pay for concept planning. - Clevedon Village Heart Concept Plan – we will request funding to deliver our plans to create a community hub at Clevedon Hall in line with the delivery of other local board-funded concept plans. - Clevedon Showgrounds – we will request early access to funding to improve capacity at our sports parks with, for example, better lighting.
Joint advocacy: Karaka Sports Park, Karaka	Along with Papakura Local Board, we: request budget from Governing Body to help deliver parts of the Karaka Sports Park Masterplan, noting that this project completed a business plan in 2022 and is ready for construction.
Joint advocacy: Drury Sports Park	Along with Papakura Local Board, we: request budget from Governing Body to help deliver of parts of the Drury Sports Park Masterplan noting that this project completed a business plan in 2022 and is ready for construction.
Joint advocacy: Ōpaheke Sports Park	Along with Papakura Local Board, we: request early access to growth funding to add layers of sand on Ōpaheke Sports Park to improve drainage and irrigation.
Equitable enforcement outcomes Bylaws Consents Environmental programmes	Enforcement and compliance are not delivered fairly across the region, despite an additional 16 regional enforcement positions in LTP. Outer areas of Auckland have a lack of enforcement services and are not allocated based on need. We will ask that the governing body provide funding that enables equitable enforcement service delivery in the short-term while options to support practical and enforceable regulations are reviewed. E.g. changes to bylaws to make them more effective and enforceable within budget constraints.
Continue to enable Local Board governance over Community Facilities, and enable effective and efficient service delivery	Governing Body support is needed to ensure that Local Board are at the forefront of any planning, policy or delivery of Community Facilities, including setting the scope and endorsing the approach for this sort of work The board is asking for Governing Body advocacy to the organisation on this point, including interrogating 'local views' sections of reports to ensure authentic community and local board engagement has been sought and is reflected in proposals

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.



Angela Fulljames

Chairperson
Wairoa sub-division
Mobile 021 923 278
angela.fulljames@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Alan Cole

Deputy Chairperson
Pukekohe sub-division
Mobile 021 923 719
alan.cole@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Malcolm Bell, JP

Wairoa sub-division
Mobile 021 022 82267
Malcolm.bell@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Sharlene Druyven

Waiuku sub-division
Mobile 021 536 177
sharlene.druyven@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Gary Holmes

Waiuku sub-division
Mobile 027 496 6283
gary.holmes@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Amanda Hopkins

Wairoa sub-division
Mobile 027 216 2452
amanda.hopkins@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Andrew Kay

Pukekohe sub-division
Mobile 027 216 1819
andrew.kay@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Amanda Kinzett

Pukekohe sub-division
Mobile 021 198 1564
amanda.kinzett@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email franklinlocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Franklin Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

I would like to thank the Henderson-Massey community for providing feedback on the proposed Annual Plan 2025-2026. We are privileged to be part of such an informed and engaged community.

We received 1,067 submissions and most of these supported our priorities. This suggests that we are moving in the right direction, however, we also realise that there are always opportunities to make things better.

The feedback showed that supporting water quality initiatives and protecting the natural environment are very important to our community. We will continue to prioritise these areas in our 2025/2026 work programme and will work with our community groups to improve co-ordination of their work in areas like Harbourview-Orangihina Park.

You told us that providing opportunities for young people to have their say in decision-making through 'youth voice' initiatives should be available to all students. We have amended our work programme to reflect this.

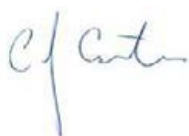
Free local events are also important to our community, and we will continue to support events like 'Snow in the Park' and 'Come Fly a Kite'. We will support our communities to take the lead in this space.

We will continue to strengthen our relationship with mana whenua. We will work with them to include Te Ao Māori-based events and programmes that incorporate the rich Māori history within Tāmaki Makaurau in our work programme.

We also share your concerns about safety in our town centres. We will continue efforts to make our towns safer through community events and programmes, and by taking the lead role in the Henderson Town Centre Committee. We will also continue to advocate to Auckland Transport for better transport options.

In closing, we would like to thank our volunteers and community groups for helping us achieve our priorities. We appreciate your work and look forward to continuing to work with you.

Ngā mihi,

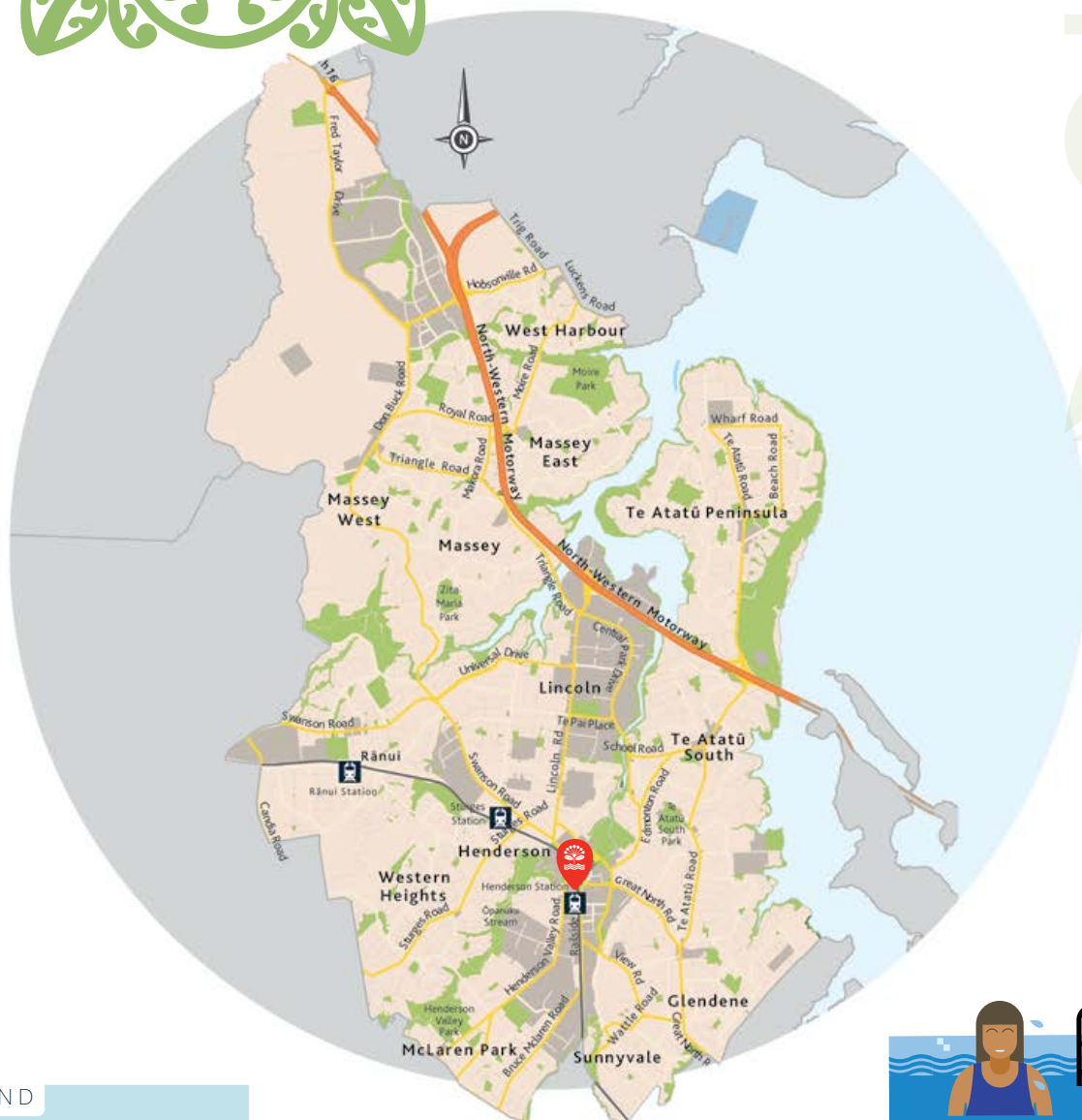


Hon Chris Carter

Chairperson, Henderson-Massey Local Board

Henderson-Massey Local Board area

18% of residents identify as **Māori**, **11** mana whenua iwi/hapū have an interest in Henderson-Massey



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)



Motorway



Major road



Arterial road



Medium road



Minor road

We are home to more than **150** local parks and sportsfields, **4** libraries, **1** youth centre, **9** community centres, **2** leisure centres and **1** pool



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

Henderson-Massey Local Board Plan 2023

The Henderson-Massey 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Empowered, resilient and socially connected communities that support a sense of belonging for residents. Thriving Māori culture and identity. Everyone can engage with local democracy, influencing what happens in their neighbourhood. Contributing to a collective west Auckland identity and voice.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

People are empowered to be kaitiaki. Climate-change mitigation and sustainable living are part of everyone's daily lives. Te wai māori me te wai tai is healthy and thriving and the urban ngahere grows larger.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

People can access places and services that cater for their needs. Cultural and art activities are accessible and affordable. Māori identity is visible, valued and understood.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Easily available transport choices. Places and spaces accessible to all. Thriving town centres. Pride in local identity. Māori identity is reflected in our buildings and public spaces. We are prepared for growth.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Prosperous town centres. People working and shopping locally. Local employment opportunities for rangatahi.

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.

The Henderson-Massey Local Board acknowledges Te Kawerau ā Maki as mana whenua of the rohe (area) and looks forward to working together to take care of the whenua and awa for future generations.

Our local board aims to deliver positive outcomes for Māori through initiatives that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to take part in local decision-making. Examples of this include:

- supporting Te Kete Rukuruku programme – renaming or dual-naming some of the area's parks and facilities in te reo and sharing stories about them
- continuing to fund the role of Kaitūhono at Hoani Waititi Marae
- funding community groups, hubs and libraries across the rohe to deliver programmes that support positive Māori outcomes.

Henderson-Massey 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	\$35.3 million	\$325,000	\$625,000	\$1.3 million	\$37.6 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$21.6 million	-	-	-	\$21.6 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Henderson-Massey 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 \$35.3 million and capital investment of \$21.6 million.

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

- support our community organisations to provide programmes and activities that support local community needs and priorities
- deliver free local events such as 'Snow in the Park' and 'Come Fly a Kite'
- support better coordination of community groups to ensure we meet environmental outcomes
- continue to help improve safety in our towns through community events and programmes
- support more 'youth voice' initiatives across Henderson-Massey to provide opportunities for local students to share their views.

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

- Outcome: Our community
- Outcome: Our environment
- Outcome: Our people
- Outcome: Our economy

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	676,828	606,000	676,000
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	685,000	945,000
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	80%	92%
Number of local community events delivered	New measure	13	13
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	50	50
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%	93%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme	New measure	44	48

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries and pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against actual 2023/2024 visitation numbers

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

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

Local planning and development

Local planning and development 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 \$625,000.

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

- continue the Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rate
- work with Te Atatū Peninsula and Central Park Henderson Business Associations to support the local economy and revitalise the town centres.

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

- Outcome: Our places
- Outcome: Our economy

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 \$325,000.

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

- continue to support the work of [Rivercare Group Te Wai O Pareira](#) to help improve water quality in Te Atatū Peninsula
- continue funding for a community climate action activator with more focus on encouraging people to use public transport, walk or cycle instead of using their cars
- continue to support [Community Waitākere](#) to monitor, restore and protect habitats in the Henderson-Massey Local Board area where īnanga (whitebait) breed.

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Henderson-Massey Local Board Plan:

- Outcome: Our environment
- Outcome: Our people
- Outcome: Our community

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 community groups supported in sustainable initiative programmes ⁴	New measure	64	69
Number of events/workshops held for sustainable outcomes	New measure	2	2

⁴The 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 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 \$1.3 million.

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 \$1.3 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Henderson-Massey 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	30,450	34,770
Targeted rates	588	627
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	83	40
Fees and charges	6,078	5,993
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	523	329
Total operating funding	37,723	41,759
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	29,959	33,310
Finance costs	3,042	3,743
Internal charges and overheads applied	4,254	4,337
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	37,255	41,390
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	468	370
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	13,131	21,243
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	13,131	21,243
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	1,014	477
- to improve the level of service	5,868	12,898
- to replace existing assets	6,716	8,238
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	13,599	21,613
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(468)	(370)
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
Marae funding	Advocate for a change to the criteria of the Marae Infrastructure Programme and Cultural initiatives Fund to enable support for marae at the planning and design phase.
Level Crossing removals as part of City Rail Link (CRL) development	Advocate for additional Governing Body funding to plan for the impacts of the CRL on crossings so that the west can fully realise the benefits of the City Rail Link
Impact of cost pressures	Advocate for cost pressures and inflation costs to be funded through rates increases. If Henderson-Massey Local Board was forced to find the projected \$1million from its budget to meet the cost pressures, the impact on local services year on year would be catastrophic.
Multiboard facilities	Advocate for Corban Estate and Westwave to be designated as multiboard assets given that a large proportion of users come from all over Auckland.
Community safety	Advocate for investment in safety initiatives, particularly around Henderson Town Centre.
Aquatic facility in the north west	Ensure funding remains in the council's long-term plan for the detailed design and construction phase for an aquatic facility in the north west

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.



Hon Chris Carter, JP
Chairperson
Mobile 021 461 658
chris.carter@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Will Flavell
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 027 333 7296
will.flavell@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Brooke Loader
Mobile 021 190 4266
brooke.loader@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Brenda Brady, JP
Mobile 027 564 0566
brenda.brady@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Dan Collins
Mobile 027 326 8394
dan.collins@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Ingrid Papau
Mobile 021 131 1373
ingrid.papau@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Oscar Kightley
Mobile 027 332 4263
oscar.kightley@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Peter Chan
Mobile 021 286 5533
peter.chan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email hendersonmasseylocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Henderson-Massey Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chairperson

Thank you to the 469 individuals, organisations and iwi who gave us feedback on the direction of our Local Board Agreement for 2025/2026. We are pleased that our plan is well supported and that it reflects our community's aspirations.

There is strong support for all or most of the six proposed priority areas that we want to focus on this financial year. The written feedback received provides us with valuable insight into what is most important to you and what you want to see achieved in our area in 2025/26.

There is particularly strong support for the local board to focus on:

- protecting our sea, soil and fresh water
- developing and increasing the use of our parks and open spaces
- protecting our open spaces and public assets from, and adapting them to, the effects of climate change.

We will do this by prioritising investment into initiatives such as a 'Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan' and activities such as delivering essential cycling skills training in schools.

We will continue to invest in a range of freshwater restoration and education programmes and work towards completing the Mairangi Bay Reserves Management Plan variation and the Ōrewa Reserve Management Project.

We will also deliver projects in alignment with our new Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Play Plan.

You also told us that you support our local board, along with Upper Harbour Local Board, in contributing some funding to develop the future vision and plan for North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct. We will work together to deliver this work to ensure the future success of this important asset.

The local board is looking forward to progressing these focus areas on behalf of the community this financial year. Thank you to all the submitters who have helped guide our thinking.

Ngā mihi,



Alexis Poppelbaum JP

Chairperson Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board area

25% Hibiscus and Bays residents are 19 years or younger



We are home to **314** parks and sports fields, **3** libraries, **2** leisure centres and **2** arts centres

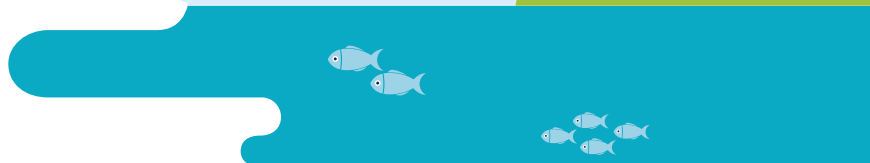
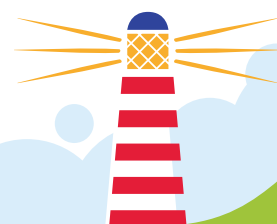


LEGEND

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

Long Bay – Ōkura Marine Reserve is the only marine reserve in Auckland's urban area

Hibiscus and Bays has **155km** of coastline



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

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan 2023

The Hibiscus and Bays 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

The voices of our community are heard, our youth thrive and everyone feels welcome. Our resilience networks enable us to be prepared for emergencies.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Native birds, plants and animals thrive in an environment where pests are controlled. We have planned and designed our coastlines to be resilient to storms and the effects of climate change, our waterways and coastal areas are clean, and we minimise waste as we move to a circular economy.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

In a word, vibrant. Our past is remembered, and our facilities cater for future needs. Our open spaces can be used by all, and we have an abundance of recreation facilities.

Ō Tātou Wāhi me Tō Tātou Ōhanga

Our places and economy

Our town centres are lively and dynamic, with a network of paths and cycleways that are as equally connected as our current roading network, all serving to create a safe, busy, and pleasant neighbourhoods.

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, we aim to deliver positive outcomes for Māori with initiatives that help maintain a harmonious relationship between the people, the land and the sea.

These initiatives include:

- supporting Ngāti Manuhiri, other mana whenua and mataawaka to use mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge) to enrich the work of groups working to restore the land and the sea
- continuing to share stories about our local heritage, through adopting te reo Māori names for our parks and places, and making the historical stories from all peoples from this area more accessible, through signage
- engaging with our community, and in particular mana whenua, on the future recreational uses of both our undeveloped and established reserves and investigate affordable options for other informal recreation and play in these areas.

Hibiscus and Bays 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	\$26.1 million	\$687,000	\$1.1 million	\$1.2 million	\$29.2 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$21.8 million	-	-	-	\$21.8 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board 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 a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$26.1 million and capital investment of \$21.8 million.

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

- supporting the development and increased use of our local parks, reserves and sports fields by making them accessible for people of all abilities, ages and socio-economic backgrounds to enjoy and by providing a range of leisure and recreation activities
- supporting the youth networks in our area to help our rangitahi (young people) thrive and have their voices heard and considered in local board decision-making.

These local community service activities and initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 1: Our people
- Outcome 3: Our community

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	627,827	581,000	647,000
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	511,000	731,000
Percentage of time main pool and leisure centre services are accessible to the community	New measure	95%	96%
Percentage of local community facility components that are not in poor or very poor condition ³	New measure	83%	95%
Number of local community events delivered	New measure	11	11
Number of activities and events delivered which support local communities to be physically active ⁴	New measure	50	130
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	25	25
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	96%	95%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme	New measure	37	40

¹Opening hours for East Coast Bays library are intended to increase for 2025/2026, and the target in 2025/2026 includes an increase for this change

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

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

⁴The 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 includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$1.1 million.

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

- encouraging local business associations to continue supporting business development. This will contribute to safer, more vibrant and attractive town centres that continue to meet the changing needs of our residents.

These local planning and development activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 4: Our places and economy

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, and waste minimisation projects.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$687,000.

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

- supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation through:
 - restoring the natural environment
 - uncovering underground streams (daylighting)
 - partnering with our environmental restoration volunteer groups
- investing in initiatives and activities that protect reserves, parks and public assets from, and adapt them to, the effects of climate change, including the Urban Ngahere (Forest) Strategy and progressing the variation to the Mairangi Bay Beach Reserves Management Plan.

These environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 2: Our environment

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 ⁵	New measure	2	3
Volunteer time undertaking animal and/or plant pest control (in hours) ⁶	New measure	150	13,700

⁵ This measure includes planting events through council's sustainability and healthy waters teams, however the local board also supports biodiversity enhancement planting through other environmental initiatives. 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

⁶ Due to a clerical error the 2024/2025 target was incorrectly set too low and did not reflect the correct level of volunteer hours anticipated for undertaking animal and/or plant pest control.

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 \$1.2 million.

The main initiative we have planned for 2025/2026 includes:

- developing a vision and plan for the future of North Harbour Stadium and Precinct, including its governance, operation, ownership, funding and management (this work will be part funded by the Upper Harbour Local Board).

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) (Auckland Council’s Māori outcomes framework). ⁷	New measure	Set baseline	Set baseline

⁷A baseline will be established after measuring the activities delivered in 2024/2025 against the council’s Māori outcomes framework to inform target setting in future years.

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Hibiscus and Bays 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	22,190	25,647
Targeted rates	1,086	1,139
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	76	76
Fees and charges	5,339	5,651
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	95	46
Total operating funding	28,787	32,559
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	22,963	26,376
Finance costs	2,395	2,582
Internal charges and overheads applied	3,213	3,441
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	28,570	32,399
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	217	160
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	13,461	21,687
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	13,461	21,687
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	579	313
- to improve the level of service	599	677
- to replace existing assets	12,500	20,857
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	13,678	21,847
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(217)	(160)
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
Our people	Advocate and actively broker better connections for all other decision makers and agencies working with our people. We are calling for better collaboration and communication, to build trust and better outcomes for all; especially in key areas where multiple jurisdictions occur such as homelessness, housing, transport, and marine fisheries.
Our environment	Advocate to central government to ensure that Tikapa Moana o Hauraki / Hauraki Gulf is protected from overfishing and degradation, and restoration projects are supported and funded. Advocate to the Governing Body for continued use of the Water Quality Targeted Rate to strengthen coastal and marine protection, around sedimentation into receiving environments particularly the Hauraki Gulf.
Our places and economy	Advocate to Auckland Transport for increased and improved public transport options and routes for all residents of the local board from Waiwera to Campbells Bay and out to Gulf Harbour, that includes services at weekends and nights. Advocate to Auckland Transport to prioritise and fund the delivery of the upgrade of Vaughans Road and Okura River Road, to ensure a safe alternative travel option to connect the surrounding communities. Advocate to the Auckland Council for changes to the procurement policy to allow for greater flexibility to ensure increased use of local businesses, and more consideration of local boards views in decision-making over major sub regional contracts – such as the full facilities contracts.

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.

**Alexis Poppelbaum**

Chairperson

Mobile 021 197 2878

alexis.poppelbaum@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Gary Brown**

Deputy Chairperson

Mobile 021 193 2167

gary.brown@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Gregg Walden**

Mobile 027 334 3812

gregg.walden@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Jake Law**

Mobile 027 304 2940

jake.law@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Julia Parfitt JP**

Mobile 021 287 1999

julia.parfitt@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Leanne Willis**

Mobile 021 194 5660

leanne.willis@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Sam Mills**

Mobile 027 335 9871

sam.mills@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Victoria Short**

Mobile 021 198 1195

victoria.short@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email hibiscusandbayslocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Howick

Howick Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Thank you to everyone who responded to our consultation. Your feedback has helped us shape this plan for the coming year that will help deliver for our communities. This is our second year of our Howick Local Board Plan 2023, and we continue to make good progress on implementing the three-year strategy.

We're pleased that funding has been allocated this year to progress the long-awaited Flat Bush Community Centre and Library, and the Pool and Leisure Centre. As our number one priority but beyond our ability to fund as a board, we've been tirelessly advocating on behalf of our community, and we're pleased that it is now moving forward. However, even with this funding, delivery of these critical facilities is still some years away so we're exploring ways to accelerate delivery of both.

We heard loud and clear throughout the consultation that the public want us to focus on delivering value in a cost-effective way. Through partnerships we'll be more innovative and responsive while building capacity and capability of our community organisations. Recent additions like our first Howick Play Plan provide us options to deliver more within our constrained budgets.

Tackling the challenges of environmental protection and restoration remains a high priority, and we're improving how we measure and report on our successes. Targeted monitoring of water quality and pollution will help ensure our investment is achieving the outcomes our awa (waterways) need.

While our Local Board Agreement covers our full budget allocation, we only have full discretion over a sub-set of the funding allocated to us (approximately \$3.3 million). The remainder is challenging to influence because of contractual arrangements, a need for increased advice, or are not addressable (such meeting regional minimum service levels, and indirect costs such as interest and depreciation).

Ngā mihi,



Damian Light

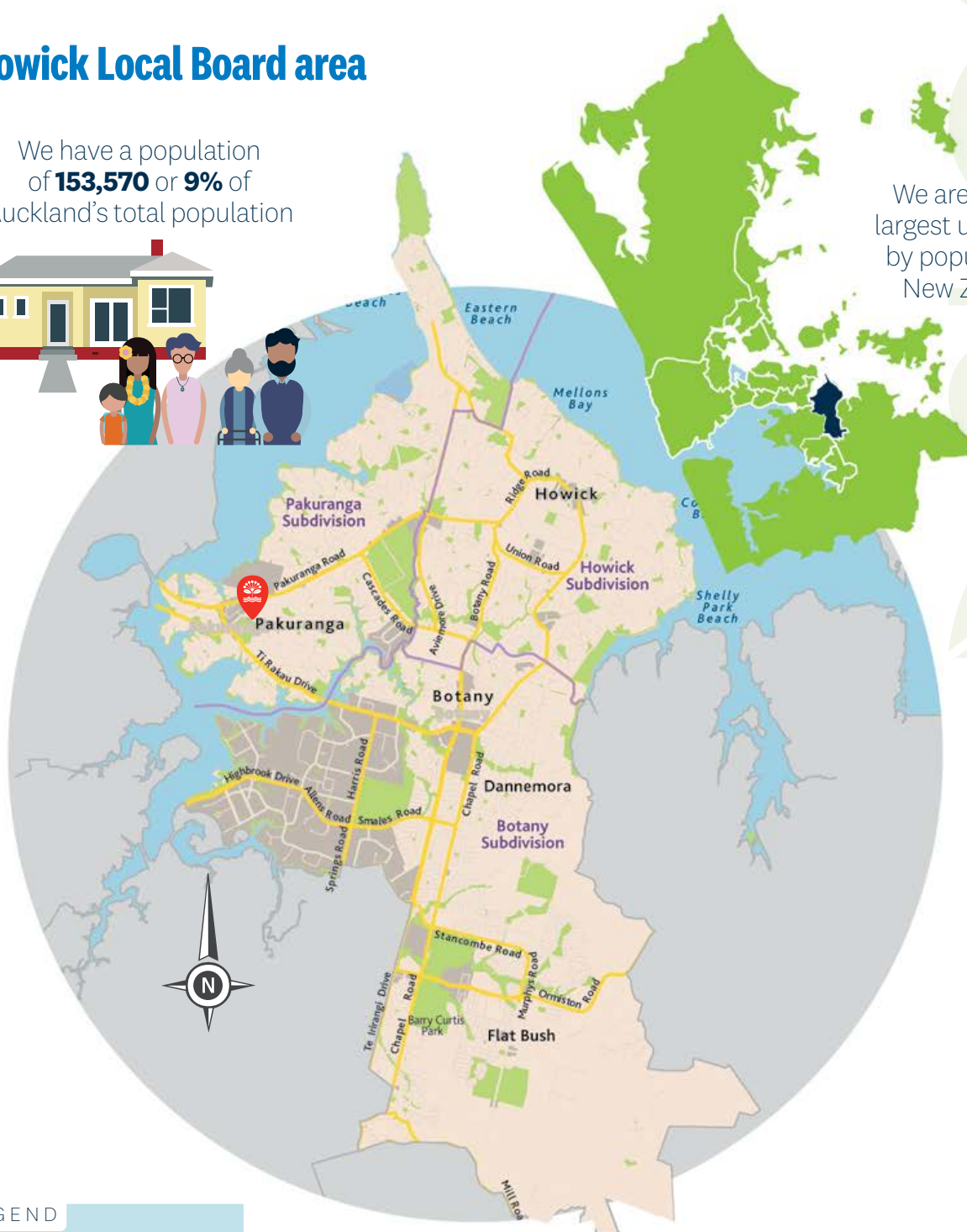
Chair Howick Local Board

Howick Local Board area

We have a population of **153,570** or **9%** of Auckland's total population



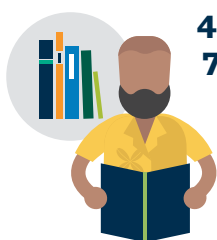
We are the **5th** largest urban area by population in New Zealand



LEGEND

	Local board office
	Subdivision boundary
	Public open space (Unitary Plan)
	Railway
	Arterial road
	Medium road
	Minor road

We are home to **266** local parks, **14** sports parks, **4** libraries, **4** recreation centres, **7** community halls and houses



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

Howick Local Board Plan 2023

The Howick 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Supporting people in our diverse communities to be strong, resilient, inclusive and healthy, and who actively participate to make our area a wonderful, safe place to live, work and play.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Protecting our natural environment to ensure the world we pass on to future generations has been well looked after and nourished.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Supporting community participation with our services and facilities and maintain them in such a way as to efficiently provide maximum benefit for our area.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Supporting our growth, development and transport by promoting vibrant town centres, better, more accessible public transport and greater connectivity with schools, key community facilities and transport hubs.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Supporting our economic recovery by promoting local businesses, Business Improvement Districts, facilitating local youth employment and increasing tourism opportunities and visitor numbers.

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 honour its commitment to Māori, the Howick Local Board Plan is focused on delivering meaningful and positive outcomes for Māori communities. This includes initiatives that strengthen Māori identity and culture, enhance Māori wellbeing, and support active Māori participation in local decision-making, in alignment with the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Key initiatives include:

- strengthening relationships with mana whenua and seeking opportunities to work with iwi to deliver positive outcomes for the Māori community
- working with iwi on significant projects, such as iwi-led restoration of Te Naupata/Musick Point
- working with Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki on biosecurity and conservation activities in their rohe (area)
- improving the visibility of Māori identity in parks and public spaces by naming or renaming sites and using interpretive signage that tell local heritage stories
- encouraging the use of mana whenua design elements in parks and community facilities
- promoting the use of te reo Māori in public spaces
- supporting events and activities of cultural importance to Māori.

Howick 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	\$33.9 million	\$783,000	\$837,000	\$1.2 million	\$36.7 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$10.3 million	-	-	-	\$10.3 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Howick 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 \$33.9 million and capital investment of \$10.3 million.

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

- make local parks and open spaces welcoming and vibrant for everyone with programmes and events
- support youth development through the Te Taiwhanga Taiohi youth space, Howick Youth Council and local youth initiatives
- continue to support various initiatives to help build community resilience and improve social connections
- continue to support healthy, active lifestyles in the community through play, recreation and sport.

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

- Outcome 1: Our community
- Outcome 2: Our people
- Outcome 3: Our places

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	883,418	823,000	823,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New measure	923,000	1,016,000
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 ²	New measure	82%	91%
Number of local community events delivered ³	New measure	4	12
Number of activities and events delivered which support local communities to be physically active	New measure	75	75
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	15	15
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 ²	New measure	94%	86%

¹There are no intended service level changes to pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model

³The 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 includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$837,000.

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

- achieve our community goals through the Thriving Communities Strategic Action Plan
- investigate options to grow the Howick Village Business Improvement District (BID)
- investigate opportunities to enable a review and refresh of the Howick Tourism Plan.

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Howick Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 1: Our people
- Outcome 2: Our economy

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 \$783,000.

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

- provide ongoing support for schools through the Howick Schools Sustainable Communities Programme to teach students how to reduce waste and about the affects waste has on climate change.
- fund the role of an advisor to carry out the monitoring and reporting of regulatory breaches, including illegal dumping, and engaging with builders and developers to promote waste minimization and reduce landfill disposal in Flat Bush.
- continue to help restore our streams and support the community to get involved with activities like planting, weed management and monitoring the health of local ecosystems.
- continue to support educational and hands-on conservation activities led by schools, communities and iwi to help manage pest animals and plants.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Howick Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 1: Our environment

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 events in stream enhancement programmes	New measure	9	9
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas	New measure	9	9

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 \$1.2 million.

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) (Auckland Council’s Māori outcomes framework).	New measure	Set baseline	Set baseline

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Howick 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	31,694	35,343
Targeted rates	802	821
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	131	93
Fees and charges	4,154	3,723
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	655	671
Total operating funding	37,436	40,651
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	28,824	31,754
Finance costs	4,055	4,380
Internal charges and overheads applied	4,030	4,128
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	36,909	40,262
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	527	389
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	7,230	9,943
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
OLump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	7,230	9,943
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	246	380
- to improve the level of service	830	1,281
- to replace existing assets	6,681	8,672
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	7,757	10,332
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(527)	(389)
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
Flat Bush Community Centre and Library	The Flat Bush Community Centre and Library remains our top priority. We are grateful for the funding already allocated, but we urge that this project be fast-tracked. The Flat Bush community is in urgent need of this facility and has waited a long time for it.
Boost regional funding to restore beaches and combat coastal erosion	Advocate to the Governing Body for increased regional funding to: • restore our beaches • address the effects of erosion on our coastline due to: ○ climate change ○ rising sea levels ○ severe weather ○ human interventions.
Championing the health and resilience of The Tāmaki Estuary and Manukau Harbour	For the Governing Body to: • support and promote the health, water quality and status of the Tāmaki Estuary and Manukau Harbour • provide sufficient resources and organisational structures similar to those already provided for the Manukau Harbour.
Enhanced compliance & enforcement	Advocate to the Governing Body to: • provide increased compliance and enforcement through regional wardens • enable local boards to contribute operational funding above the regional level for local areas.

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.



Damian Light

Chairperson
Mobile 027 276 3822
damian.light@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Bo Burns

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 197 5849
bo.burns@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Adele White

Mobile 021 284 3843
adele.white@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Bruce Kendall, MBE

Mobile 021 198 1380
bruce.kendall@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



David Collings

Mobile 027 576 2350
david.collings@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



John Spiller

Mobile 021 286 7666
john.spiller@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Katrina Bungard

Mobile 0800 528 286
katrina.bungard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Mike Turinsky

Mobile 021 804 742
mike.turinsky@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Peter Young, JP

Mobile 027 587 4888
peter.young.howick@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email howicklocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Howick Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Kia ora koutou,

Thank you to everyone who took the time to submit feedback on our priorities for 2025/2026.

This is the second year of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 and the second year delivering the priorities of the [Kaipātiki Local Board Plan](#). Your feedback on our plans have helped us to prioritise our budgets and showed that we're on the right track. We are proud to have acted on the things that we promised, such as:

- investing in the maintenance of our parks and community facilities
- projects that care for and protect the environment
- working on improvements to Little Shoal Bay Reserve / Wai Manawa.

As part of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, the Governing Body approved a 'fairer funding' approach to decide how funds are shared across our local boards. This replaces the old funding system for former councils and allocates funds to local boards based on population, social deprivation and land area.

Under this new approach, Kaipātiki Local Board will receive more day-to-day (operational) funding, but capital funding (for new assets and upgrades of assets) is fixed at current levels. We will continue to strongly advocate that the Kaipātiki Local Board have enough funding to retain assets invested in by previous generations.

The additional operational funding of \$2.1 million for 2025/2026 provides an amazing opportunity for the local board to focus on improving the area to meet community needs and interests. We are significantly increasing funding for our community organisations such as the [Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust](#), [Kaipātiki Project](#), [Pest Free Kaipātiki Restoration Society](#) and our community houses and centres.

We are investing in the development of a local board sport and recreation facilities plan and broadening the focus of our grants programme. This will allow us to help community groups that own facilities, such as sports clubs. In addition, we are trialling free swimming for seniors at Birkenhead Leisure Centre.

We heard that bylaw enforcement is of considerable concern, so we are also investing in dedicated and visible local enforcement.

With our capital funding, we will continue investing in and upgrading our local assets, including sports fields, community buildings, playgrounds, shade sails, lighting, paths and seating. We will also continue to reinstate bush tracks damaged by the 2023 storms, as funding allows, and will consult with the Kaipātiki community on the next stage of the Beach Haven Coastal Walkway upgrade.

Ngā mihi nui,



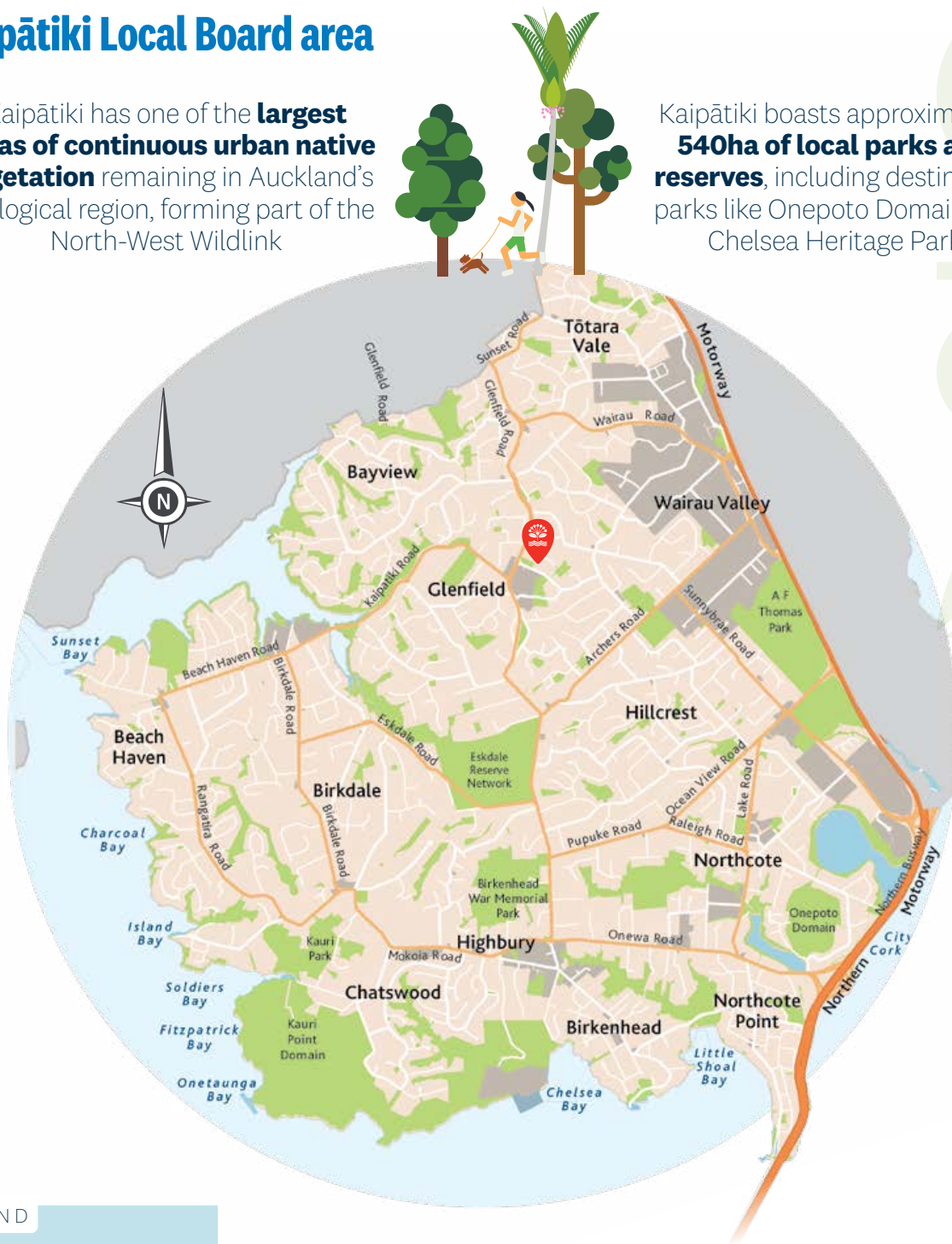
John Gillon

Chairperson, Kaipātiki Local Board

Kaipātiki Local Board area

Kaipātiki has one of the **largest areas of continuous urban native vegetation** remaining in Auckland's ecological region, forming part of the North-West Wildlink

Kaipātiki boasts approximately **540ha of local parks and reserves**, including destination parks like Onepoto Domain and Chelsea Heritage Park



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)

Motorway

Major road

Arterial road

Medium road

Minor road

Kaipātiki includes the major town centres of **Birkenhead, Glenfield and Northcote**



A population of **88,128** ranking it 6th in population size in Auckland's 21 local board areas

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

Kaipātiki Local Board Plan 2023

The Kaipātiki 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:

Te Whai Wāhitanga me te Oranga

Belonging and wellbeing

Our people are engaged, connected, healthy, thriving, and are proud to live in Kaipātiki.

Te Taiao

Environment

Our natural environment is restored and protected for future generations to enjoy.

Ngā Wāhi me ngā Takiwā

Places and spaces

Our built environment is vibrant, well-maintained, reflects the culture and heritage of Kaipātiki, meets our people's needs, and has a low impact on our climate.

Te Ikiiki me ngā Tūhononga

Transport and connections

Our people have many transport options and can easily and safely move around and find their way.

Te Āheinga me te Taurikura

Opportunity and prosperity

Our people are prosperous and our businesses continue to flourish.

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 Kaipātiki Local Board Plan aims to achieve positive outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that achieve positive Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to take part in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- supporting activities such as, kapa haka sessions, te reo workshops and Matariki celebrations, that showcase Māori identity and culture
- continue building relationships with local iwi, and mataawaka groups
- working with mana whenua to restore names significant to Māori to our local parks through Te Kete Rukuruku programme
- incorporating te reo Māori into local programmes, services and facility developments
- working with mana whenua on new and existing climate action and environmental projects that tautoko (support) kaitiakitanga outcomes, like developing and carrying out shoreline adaptation plans.

Kaipātiki 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	\$23.8 million	\$1.1 million	\$554,000	\$1.1 million	\$26.6 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$6.7 million	-	-	-	\$6.7 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Kaipātiki 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 \$23.8 million and capital investment of \$6.7 million.

Our key initiatives in 2025/2026 are to:

- continue maintenance and renewal of our parks, playgrounds, recreation facilities and other public spaces to meet our communities needs
- support community development activities including events, our summer and winter fun programmes, community safety initiatives and a greater use of our community houses, community centres and libraries
- provide additional funding for the Kaipātiki Community Grants Programme, including grants for community-owned facilities
- provide increased resources for our ecological park volunteer programme
- invest in compliance resources to specifically target issues in the Kaipātiki Local Board area, in areas like public safety, signage, street trading and freedom camping
- develop a sport and recreation facility plan to better understand the sport and recreation facility needs of Kaipātiki and to help guide future investment
- implement the [Wai Manawa / Little Shoal Bay Mini-Shoreline Adaptation Plan](#) alongside our community, to address the issues caused by flooding from heavy rain and rising sea levels
- start to plan and ask for community input on:
 - the first stage of implementing the [Birkenhead War Memorial Park Masterplan](#)
 - the next stage of upgrades to the Beach Haven Coastal Connection.

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

- Outcome 1: Te whai wāhitanga me te ora | Belonging and wellbeing.

- Outcome 2: Te taiao | Environment.
- Outcome 3: Ngā wāhi me ngā takiwā | Places and spaces.

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	471,447	439,000	486,000
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	683,000	844,000
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	79%	94%
Number of local community events delivered ⁴	New measure	6	9
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	78%	93%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ⁴	New measure	66	142

¹The target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers. Northcote Library is expected to have reduced service delivery in 2025/2026 due to relocation to temporary premises.

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

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

⁴The 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 includes 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 \$554,000.

Our key initiatives in 2025/2026 are to:

- support Birkenhead and Northcote Business Improvement District areas
- engage with businesses in the Wairau Valley to improve how we share information and to better understand the area's needs and goals
- support our young people to take part in the [Young Enterprise Scheme](#).

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Kaipātiki Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 3: Ngā wāhi me ngā takiwā | Places and spaces.
- Outcome 5: Te āheinga me te taurikura | Opportunity and prosperity.

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 \$1.1 million.

Our key initiatives in 2025/2026 are to:

- provide increased support for our local environmental groups to carry out projects to help restore the environment by:
 - improving natural habitats for native flora and fauna
 - planting native plants and grasses along the edges of rivers and streams
 - controlling pests.
- support a community climate activation programme to deliver community initiatives identified in the [Kaipātiki Climate Action Plan](#)
- continue our water quality monitoring programme and our industrial engagement and monitoring programme in the Wairau Valley
- support environmental initiatives delivered through our schools, such as the 'Zero Waste Zero Carbon' and the [Wai Care](#) programmes
- trial a 'catchment stewardship' initiative, which plans to restore stream health through community education and engagement.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Kaipātiki Local Board Plan:

- Outcome 2: Te taiao | Environment.

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 ⁴	New measure	10	20
Number of trees planted for biodiversity enhancement ⁴	New measure	9,750	10,000
Volunteer time undertaking animal and/or plant pest control (hours) ⁴	New measure	9,500	16,500

⁴The 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 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 \$1.1 million.

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) (The 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 Kaipātiki 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	17,729	23,334
Targeted rates	355	348
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	62	57
Fees and charges	5,382	5,375
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	498	547
Total operating funding	24,027	29,660
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	19,134	24,475
Finance costs	1,876	1,867
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,819	3,143
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	23,829	29,485
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	198	175
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	6,682	6,540
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	6,682	6,540
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	611	266
- to improve the level of service	405	355
- to replace existing assets	5,864	6,093
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	6,880	6,714
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(198)	(175)
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
Local Board budgets	We advocate for sufficient funding to maintain facilities and services provided through our parks, community facilities and recreational spaces.
Flood mitigation	We advocate to prioritise investment in infrastructure to help mitigate floods in the Wairau catchment as part of the Making Space for Water programme.
Resources to support increased decision-making	We advocate for additional resources to support the increase in decision-making given to local boards. This includes: • more staff resources to respond to requests for local advice • a continuation of funding to manage cost increases until this can be properly addressed in the next long-term plan.
Improved public transport	We advocate to continue improving bus and ferry services in Kaipātiki through: • cheaper fares • maintaining our three existing ferry services and increasing the frequency of sailings • more buses going to more destinations more often. We also advocate to include the Beach Haven / Hobsonville Ferry in the \$50-weekly transport cap.
Coastal assets	We advocate for renewal and maintenance investment in coastal assets around the Kaipātiki coastline, including continuing the budget allocated to achieve goals set out in the Little Shoal Bay Shoreline Adaptation Plan.

The table below outlines long-standing advocacy initiatives that the Kaipātiki Local Board continue focused on seeing realised

Initiative	Description
Northcote Development	We advocate for continued investment into Northcote to support current and future residents and businesses
Quality Development with adequate infrastructure	We advocate for adequate infrastructure to help develop a quality compact, urban form that supports low carbon use and improves community resilience, while ensuring that we follow the rules and guidelines of the Auckland Unitary Plan .
Compliance investment	We advocate for more compliance monitoring taking place so that the enforcement teams can respond to all requests and complaints received in the Kaipātiki area, rather than only those of the highest priority.

Initiative	Description
Targeted Rate investment	We advocate for continued investment for Kaipātiki from the water quality, climate action and natural environment targeted rates, including stage four of Kauri Glen Reserve and Cecil Eady Reserve upgrades.
Sport and Recreation investment	We advocate for an increase to, and greater share of, regional funding to provide more sport and recreation opportunities in Kaipātiki through: • the Regional Sport and Recreation Facility Investment Fund • the Regional Sport and Recreation Facilities Operating Grant.
Local discrete funding	We advocate to keep funding that was set aside many years ago for the actions set out in the Birkenhead War Memorial Masterplan and the Kaipātiki Connections Network Plan .

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.



John Gillon
Chairperson
Mobile 021 286 2288
john.gillon@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Danielle Grant, JP
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 835 724
danielle.grant@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Erica Hannam
Mobile 027 203 7602
erica.hannam@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Janet Tupou
Mobile 027 247 1408
janet.tupou1@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Melanie Kenrick
Mobile 021 198 1079
melanie.kenrick@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Paula Gillon
Mobile 021 529 723
paula.gillon@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Raymond Tan
Mobile 027 316 8625
raymond.tan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Tim Spring
Mobile 027 207 5645
tim.spring@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email KaipatikiLocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Kaipātiki Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Māngere-Ōtāhuhu

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Talofa Lava,

It is my privilege to present the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Agreement for 2025/2026.

We want to thank everyone who took the time to give feedback during this year's annual plan consultation. The strong support for our priorities shows we are on the right path, especially around youth initiatives, arts and culture and protecting our environment.

At the same time many of you shared real concerns about rising costs and the need for more infrastructure and better community services. We hear you.

Despite financial challenges, we remain committed to building a strong and resilient community. We will continue to work with our partners, mana whenua and local groups to do more with what we have. This includes support for waste management, local economic development and your activities through our community grants programme.

We will also focus on other key projects such as developing our local playgrounds, improving facilities like the Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Pool and Leisure Centre and Otahuhu's - Toia.

We will deliver two flood resilience projects: [Te Ararata](#) and [Harania](#), as part of the [Blue-green network](#) projects to help prevent flooding. These are much needed projects to support our community which was badly affected by the 2023 floods.

We will also keep working on the local transport network, community safety and providing cleaner public spaces.

We supported the idea of a visitor levy because it is a fairer way to fund tourism and events. But we also know affordability matters and will keep raising your concerns with the council.

Finally, our local board will keep advocating for fair funding. As south Auckland grows in population and diversity, it is vital we get our fair share of investment to meet our community's needs now and in the future.

We are proud of our community's strength, voice and vision. With your support, we'll keep pushing for progress and action.

Ngā mihi,



Tauanu'u Nanai Nick Bakulich

Chair

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board area

A population of **78,642** expected to increase to 125,436 by 2050. **60%** of residents identify as Pasifika, **17%** Māori



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

LEGEND

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



24% of residents are children under 14, with **41%** of the population aged under 24



We're home to more than **100** local parks and sports fields, **4** libraries, **3** community centres and **2** recreation centres and swimming pools

Unique natural features include the **Manukau Harbour Coastline**, the **Ōtuataua Stonefields** and **Te Pane o Mataoho / Te Ara Pueru / Māngere Mountain**

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Plan 2023

The Māngere- 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are our strength. Engaging with our diverse communities – from Māori, Pacific peoples, and children, to rangatahi (youth) and senior people – enables us to provide the services and facilities they need, leading to better wellbeing.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Toitū te whenua, whatungarongaro te tangata. Our land is permanent, while people come and go. Your resilience was tested with destructive weather events in early 2023, and it held. We can help strengthen your ability to preserve our natural environment and sites of significance so that future generations can enjoy them.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

We are home to the largest population of Pacific peoples in Auckland. We also have a high proportion of Māori residents and a growing ethnic diversity. That diversity means we need dynamic spaces and facilities.

Our venues, local parks and open spaces must provide for the ever-changing experiences of our residents now and in the future. We will do this by partnering with mana whenua and our wider community.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

We want great, safe neighbourhoods that are well connected with accessible local transport options. We want to create and design attractive spaces that meet your needs and greatly enhance the quality of life for residents.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

We want to attract and retain businesses in our town centres and industrial areas. We want to support our big developers, such as Auckland International Airport, and our various business associations to make it easier for employers and employees to benefit from being in Māngere-Ōtāhuhu.

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 Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- restoring Pūkaki Crater by:
 - planting on the south-west crater rim on Pūkaki Māori Marae Committee land
 - maintaining planting at the urupā
- controlling pest plants throughout the rest of the crater to maintain the gains made from previous years
- Te Kete Rukuruku - Māori naming of parks and places programme
- renewing signage and fencing at Otutāua Stonefields Reserve
- [Pūkaki Tapu o Poutūkeka Committee](#) - working with mana whenua in their kaitiaki (guardianship) role and delivering the Resource Management Plan and associated projects
- engaging with mana whenua, mataawaka and local board members
- Ara Kōtūi - supporting monthly hui between local board members and iwi representatives
- achieving a pest-free Ihumātao to protect the natural and spiritual essence (mauri) of Ihumātao, while working with, and empowering iwi to achieve their goals.

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu 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	\$23.7 million	\$533,000	\$1.5 million	\$1.1 million	\$26.9 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$9.7 million	-	-	-	\$9.7 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu 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 \$23.7 million and capital investment of \$9.7 million.

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

- community arts programme including an arts broker programme
- [‘Out and About’](#) activities and events in parks
- capacity building and participation programmes for young people to help grow leadership, improve employment opportunities and wellbeing.
- support efforts to reduce alcohol harm in communities
- community grants.

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

- Outcome: Our community
- Outcome: Our people
- Outcome: Our places
- Outcome: Our economy

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	397,911	373,000	396,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New Measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New Measure	516,000	572,000
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 ²	New Measure	77%	79%
Number of local community events delivered	New Measure	13	13
Number of activities and events delivered which support local communities to be physically active ³	New Measure	75	70
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability ³	New Measure	10	5
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 ²	New Measure	94%	90%

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries and pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model

³The 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 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 \$1.5 million.

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

- Walter Massey Park Masterplan
- Centre Park Masterplan
- Community facilities portfolio review assessing facility use, condition, and future needs to help local boards plan and deliver their local board activities

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Plan:

- Outcome: Our places
- Outcome: Our community

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 \$533,000.

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

- restore Pūkaki Crater
- develop community and business emergency response plans and resilience programmes
- teach school children about sustainability
- Continue to support the Bike hub Māngere programme
- Māngere Waterways Restoration Programme progress.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Plan:

- Outcome: Our environment

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 community groups supported in sustainable initiative programmes ²	New Measure	27	20
Number of planting events for biodiversity enhancement ²	New Measure	4	3
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas ²	New Measure	33	30

²The 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 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 \$1.1 million.

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

- Governance Engagement and Stakeholder, investment to strengthen community participation in governance activities.
- Ara Kotui collective – collaborative platform with mana whenua to progress Māori outcomes.
- review of parts of Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Ōtara-Papatoetoe area plans

These local governance activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Plan:

- Outcome: Our people

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) (Auckland 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 Māngere-Ōtāhuhu 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	22,861	26,010
Targeted rates	1,943	2,016
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	69	64
Fees and charges	1,504	1,550
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	138	56
Total operating funding	26,515	29,697
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	20,754	24,827
Finance costs	2,729	1,871
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,837	2,893
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	26,321	29,590
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	194	107
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	6,261	9,623
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	6,261	9,623
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	1,398	2,611
- to improve the level of service	638	493
- to replace existing assets	4,419	6,626
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	6,455	9,730
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(194)	(107)
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
Māngere Mountain Education Trust	Reinstate the \$300,000 funding for the Māngere Mountain Education Trust sourced from the council's long-term plan for: - educational programmes - cultural conservation - maunga management.
Funding for Te Pūkaki Tapu o Poutūkeka co-management projects	The secured Māori Outcomes funding will support the Reserve Management Plan and help guide key projects at Pūkaki, including: - formal access to the urupā - erosion control at the lagoon's southwest rim - conservation efforts. Our plans aim to protect cultural sites, improve access and reflect kaitiakitanga.
Local economic development	Local economic development remains a priority. We request help to deliver this local board plan outcome through regional funding to provide our community with access to: - better paid employment - quality training - opportunities to improve local needs.
Fairer funding allocation	We do not support fairer funding in its current form. We request: - a slower transition - equitable funding based on deprivation - better advice - clearer financial information.
Funding for projects to create public spaces: 1. Ōtāhuhu Portage route project 2. Māngere Gateway Heritage Precinct Plan 3. Māngere East Precinct	1. Prioritise long-term funding for the Ōtāhuhu Portage route project. This project will highlight local sites of national significance in terms of history and culture. This has huge potential to make the area accessible and connected for local and international visitors. 2. Fund the Māngere Gateway Heritage Precinct Plan through tourism as an integrated programme of social, cultural, environmental and economic benefits around the western parts of Māngere including Otuataua, Ihumātao, Manukau harbour and Watercare walkway extensions. 3. Develop a vibrant and connected community hub to transform Māngere East into a precinct.
Free bus service	To promote and provide tourists and locals with access to our local economic areas and attractions, like shopping centres. The local board requests that Auckland Transport develop a strategy to support this service as the Regional Land Transport Plan did not commit to this long-standing initiative.
Improving standards in boarding houses	We support proactive boarding house inspections, improving living conditions and tenant safety, particularly in high-risk areas. With an increase in new accommodation developments, some boarding houses are being used as temporary housing solutions due to limited affordable homes. This has caused an increase in the use of illegal boarding houses and reflects the need for more comprehensive inspections and resources. Multi-agency collaboration, prioritising vulnerable communities and improving enforcement efforts are essential to ensure better housing standards and to address the growing demand for safe, affordable accommodation.

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.



Tauanu'u Nanai Nick Bakulich
Chairperson
Mobile 021 835 820
nick.bakulich@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Togatolu Walter Togiamua
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 287 1122
walter.togiamua@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Christine O'Brien
Mobile 021 284 3333
christine.o'brien@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Makalita Kolo
Mobile 021 534 316
makalita.kolo@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Harry Fatu Toleafoa
Mobile 021 197 9937
harry.fatutoleafoa@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Papaliitele Lafulafu Peo
Mobile 027 273 5356
lafulafu.peo@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Joe Glassie-Rasmussen
Mobile 027 230 6853
joe.glassie-rasmussen@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email mangereotahuhulocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Manurewa

Manurewa Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Kia ora koutou katoa,

I'm pleased to present our 2025/2026 Local Board Agreement. Most of your feedback supported our priorities for 2025/2026 and this is what we will focus on.

This is the second year of delivery against our 2023 local board plan and the first year we have a significant increase in our budget due to 'fairer funding'. This will allow us to do even more for the community. Instead of working with small and reduced budgets, we can now move forward on projects that we were previously unable to support, and others that can be reinstated.

The board will receive an extra allocation of \$5.8 million in operating funding and a minor top-up in capital funding of \$547,000. A significant amount of our capital spend is tied up in fixing assets that have badly deteriorated or need extra work due to earthquake-related and design issues. While these facilities such as Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre and Library and Manurewa Netball and Community Centre are being repaired, our primary focus is on opportunities that can be delivered using our operating budget.

Twenty-four per cent of our population is aged under 15 years and a significant number of families live in areas of high deprivation. It is a priority for us to ensure we target investments through events and community support. We will also increase the service levels for maintenance and cleaning around our beautiful local board area and give it the polish it really deserves. We want you to be proud of where you live and call home.

You've told us that safety is one of your biggest concerns. We will support people feeling safe in their neighbourhoods, public spaces and town centres. This includes dealing with roaming dogs. We have identified options for more safety initiatives, and increased security.

Finally, we are looking forward to being able to really boost our work to achieve positive outcomes for the environment. As well as looking for new ways to manage illegal dumping and protect our waterways, we need to do what we can to prepare for future temperature rises, and to prevent the loss of our rich biodiversity.

Thank you for giving your feedback on what you think we should be focusing on next year. We are proud to serve you and look forward to continuing to work with and for you.

Ngā mihi nui



Matt Winiata

Chair Manurewa Local Board

Manurewa Local Board area

We are home to more than **150** local parks and sports fields, **2** libraries, **2** halls, **5** community hubs, **2** leisure centres, **2** swimming pools and **1** arts centre



11 mana whenua iwi/hapū have an interest in Manurewa



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)



Motorway



Major road



Arterial road



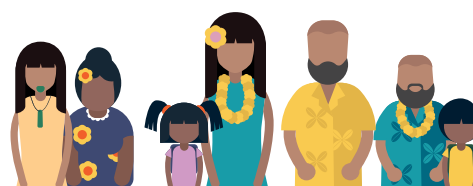
Medium road



Minor road



40% of Manurewa's residents are under 24



A population of **98,784** with **40%** residents identifying as Pasifika and **25%** Māori

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

Manurewa Local Board Plan 2023

The Manurewa 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are resilient, connected and engaged. We take pride in Manurewa, enjoying quality of life, diversity and a sense of safety and connection.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Our environment is protected, restored and enhanced. We care for our natural treasures, restored waterways and flourishing urban forest. We're reducing our carbon footprint, greenhouse gas emissions and waste, and building community resilience to climate change effects.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our communities enjoy responsive services and facilities that enable great participation. Our facilities and public places are popular gathering points. They offer choices for people from different backgrounds and life-stages to take part in sports, recreation, creativity and play.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our urban development attracts quality employment, community and sustainability outcomes that meet the needs of our growing population. Our transport network is accessible, affordable, offers choice and makes it easy to move around.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our local economy is strong, and our town centres are thriving. People can live, work and play close to home. Businesses want to invest here, local people can get quality local jobs, and young people are well prepared for, and engaged in, the workforce.

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 Manurewa Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- starting the Manurewa iwi strategic partnership programme to support iwi aspirations that align with the 2023 Manurewa Local Board Plan
- supporting the Ara Kōtuiti programme that brings southern iwi and southern local boards together to discuss opportunities to enhance the role of iwi in local decision making
- working with iwi and mataawaka to showcase and celebrate Māori culture, stories and identity
- working with iwi and local Māori communities to respond to Māori aspirations in practical and effective ways
- supporting the Manukau Harbour Forum and the ecological restoration of waterways
- protecting the Papakura Stream to improve the water quality of the Manukau Harbour
- improving the environment and our biodiversity through pest animal and plant control
- continuing to fund locally led food initiatives.

Manurewa 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	\$23.7 million	\$1.6 million	\$1.2 million	\$1.2 million	\$27.6 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$9.6 million	-	-	-	\$9.6 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Manurewa 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 \$23.7 million and capital investment of \$9.6 million.

Some of the key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- providing additional animal management team members to address the issue of roaming dogs in the area
- increasing funding for maintenance and repair across buildings, parks and open spaces
- improving sports fields including maintenance, lighting and using sand to improve sports field surfaces
- increasing the number of funded projects that respond to the needs and aspirations of children and young people including mental health and wellbeing, food security, natural play, innovation, creativity, youth grants, youth participation, sports and recreation and youth leadership
- providing more support to our Pasifika community including a grant to fund investigation and designs for a Pacific hub at Clendon Reserve
- continuing to renew and upgrade our facilities including Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre and Manurewa Community Hub.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome areas in the Manurewa Local Board Plan:

- Ō Tātou Tāngata | Our people
- Tō Tātou Hapori | Our community

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	266,739	232,000	278,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New measure	425,000	483,000
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 ²	New measure	82%	86%
Number of activities and events delivered which support local communities to be physically active ³	New measure	80	150
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of local partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	12	12
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 ²	New measure	95%	88%

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries and pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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 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 \$1.2 million.

Some of the key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- working with the Manurewa Business Association on projects to improve safety and security to ensure our two town centres are vibrant and safe
- delivering the Rangatahi Youth Grants programme
- working on the 'Transform Manukau' programme
- supporting the free Manurewa Te Manurewatanga bus service.

These local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome areas in the Manurewa Local Board Plan:

- Ō Tātou Wāhi | Our places
- Tā Tātou Ōhanga | Our economy

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 such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$1.6 million.

Some of the key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 include:

- increasing support for projects that target illegal dumping, including additional 'Neat Streets' events
- improving compliance and enforcement for illegal dumping
- working with schools to teach students how litter in our community and stormwater drains affects the health of our waterways and the Manukau harbour
- increasing programmes that improve access to food through school gardens and education initiatives in schools
- increasing support for tree planting and for local community groups and volunteers who help eradicate pests.

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome areas in the Manurewa Local Board Plan:

- Tō Tātou Taiao | Our environment
- Tō Tātou Hapori | Our community

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			
Minimum number of planting events for biodiversity enhancement	New measure	2	2
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas	New measure	16	16

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 \$1.2 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Manurewa 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	16,513	26,358
Targeted rates	1,108	1,172
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	210	197
Fees and charges	2,784	2,861
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	180	111
Total operating funding	20,794	30,700
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	16,566	25,543
Finance costs	1,809	2,021
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,345	3,125
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	20,719	30,689
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	74	10
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	9,402	9,578
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	9,402	9,578
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	2,030	2,197
- to improve the level of service	1,030	1,147
- to replace existing assets	6,416	6,244
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	9,477	9,588
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(74)	(10)
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
Local board funding	Retain the fairer funding allocation. We need a fairer allocation of funding to ensure our public facilities and spaces are welcoming, meet the demands of our diverse communities and achieve sustainability goals. A one-year break from cost increases is not enough, especially when local boards are lacking advice and time to allow for good decision-making. We need more council staff that work directly with local boards to provide quality, strategic advice to empower local boards and the role.
Manurewa Netball and Community Centre	Allocate additional funding to replace the roof leak and seismic repairs at Manurewa Netball and Community Centre. As a local asset, the local board is being has to pay for these repairs. This means other assets in desperate need of maintenance will be compromised due to the lack of available budget. We received a very small increase to our capex capital spend budget, and with this and Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre and Library both needing urgent and major repairs, it means that there is little budget for to deliver of any other renewal projects.
Local procurement opportunities	Apply stronger requirements for Governing Body and council-controlled organisations to buy goods and services that create local employment opportunities, especially for young people.
Growth funding for Clendon Reserve	Request the \$4.2 million in growth funding allocated to deliver projects in the Clendon Reserve concept plan. This was originally planned for delivery in 2024/2025 and has now been pushed out to 2028/2029. We want to re-introduce this project in the upcoming three-year capital work programme, noting this project delivers for a community of greatest need and that the budget keeps being deferred.
Unlock/Transform Manurewa	Request Manurewa is included in the council's Unlock/Transform development programme (or equivalent) as a priority, to support economic prosperity and strengthen placemaking in Manurewa.
Waste minimisation and illegal dumping	Maintain the current weekly household rubbish collection service. Review the council's current inorganic waste removal policy and look for ways to make it easier for residents to dispose of extra inorganic waste.
Local economic development	Request a greater emphasis on local economic development within the council, and ask that local boards are provided with quality advice and more staff in this area so they can play a key role to develop and grow the local economy.
PCF budget allocated based on need	Request that the regionally allocated response budget for repairs and maintenance is increased and distributed based on differing local needs. For example, Manurewa has high levels of vandalism and unauthorised use of its assets, but our response budget is not enough and often runs out early in the financial year.

	Manurewa has a high level of unauthorised use of its sports fields. The council needs to apply an agreed regional standard for sports fields so all clubs and users have a similar user-experience regardless of location.
Local boards to be given greater flexibility and clarity over their budgets	Request local boards are given greater flexibility and clarity over their budgets and decision-making. Local boards are making governance decisions but without a clear idea over what they control, including how the budgets are allocated locally, including maintenance contracts. An example of allowing local boards more flexibility with their budget includes speeding up construction of key physical infrastructure by allowing local boards to use operating spend for capital projects. This would allow previously underfunded boards to catch up with the standard of facilities that other boards across Auckland have enjoyed.

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.



Matt Winiata

Chairperson
Mobile 027 261 6354
matt.winiata@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Glenn Murphy

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 198 0892
glenn.murphy@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Andrew Lesa

Mobile 027 334 6123
andrew.lesa@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Angela Cunningham-Marino

Mobile 027 332 9952
angela.cunningham-marino@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Anne Candy, QSO, JP

Mobile 021 196 0942
anne.candy@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Heather Andrew

Mobile 027 277 5504
heather.andrew@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Joseph Allan

Mobile 021 532 762
joseph.allan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Rangi Mclean, JP

Mobile 021 514 718
rangi.mclean@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email manurewalocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Manurewa Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Thank you to everyone who gave feedback on our priorities for the 2025/2026 financial year and our advocacy to the Governing Body. Your voices continue to shape the outcomes in our Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Agreement 2025/2026 and help us ensure that our work reflects what matters most to you.

Our community is deeply committed to protecting the taiao / natural environment and we have all felt the impact of climate change, especially during the severe weather events of recent years. In response, we continue to invest in initiatives that protect and restore our environment.

We acknowledge the long-term challenge of maintaining our current community facilities and services in a financially sustainable way. We are continuing to strategically review our property portfolio to optimise the use of our assets and ensure community spaces are fit-for-purpose and maximise value for ratepayers.

We recognise that our community requires investment to deliver on community-led initiatives that are important to you. This year we are laying the foundations to strengthen the capacity and capability of community groups, supporting their long-term sustainability, by helping them access a broader range of funding and resources.

Supporting our community and sports groups remains a top priority. We will continue to provide local community grants and strengthen capacity and capability of community organisations so they can create long-term, sustainable models for delivering programmes and facilities where appropriate.

We thank you for your continued involvement and support as we work together for a strong, inclusive and sustainable Maungakiekie-Tāmaki.

E vave taunu'u le malaga pe a tatou alo va'a fa'atasi.

Our destiny is within sight when we paddle our canoe together.

Ngā mihi,



Maria Meredith

Chair Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board area



Current population of **78,102**
is projected to increase to
112,949 by 2050

5 significant maunga / volcanic cones including Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill and Maungarei / Mt Wellington



LEGEND

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

We are home to **more than 100** local parks and sports fields, **3** libraries and **8** community centres and halls



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

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Plan 2023

The Maungakiekie-Tāmaki 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our People

Our people feel a sense of belonging and our diversity is celebrated. We prioritise support to those who need it most. Our community is empowered to lead and overcome challenges. Mana whenua and Māori are our treaty partners; Māori initiatives are Māori-led.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our Environment

Our arawai / waterways and whenua / land are healthy and thriving. We are resilient to the impacts of climate change. Mana whenua and our community are supported to be kaitiaki / guardians for our environment.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our Community

Our facilities and open spaces are accessible, cost-effective and fit-for-purpose. Te ao Māori is seen throughout our community. We plan for the future and are open to all the opportunities that can enable greater and more targeted investment in our community.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our Places

Growth in our rohe is well-planned and environmentally aware. We have connected neighbourhoods where people feel safe in our community. Our town centres, open spaces and facilities have a range of accessible and reliable transport links to get people to places. Our transport infrastructure is fit-for-purpose and supports future growth.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our Economy

Our town centres are thriving, and our businesses are resilient. We can live, work, and play locally. We are skilled and our businesses thrive. Our quality of life is high, and we can develop to our full potential.

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, we aim to achieve positive outcomes for Māori with initiatives to help support Māori identity and culture, improve Māori wellbeing and support Māori to take part in local decision-making.

Our initiatives include:

- exploring options to enable mana whenua to jointly manage Omaru Reserve / Point England Reserve in a post-treaty settlement environment
- building strong, lasting relationships with mana whenua and mataawaka through regular engagement on local priorities
- partnering with Māori on important projects, including the redevelopment of culturally significant sites like Ruapōtaka Marae and contributing to the planning and restoration of local waterways and reserves
- increasing the presence of te reo Māori across the local board area by using the language in signage, communications and community events
- supporting Māori-led events and initiatives that celebrate Māori culture, uphold tikanga and bring communities together to learn and connect.

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki 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	\$20.2 million	\$235,000	\$1.1 million	\$1.2 million	\$22.7 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$21.8 million	-	-	-	\$21.8 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board 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 a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$20.2 million and capital investment of \$21.8 million.

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

- strengthen our commitment to deliver meaningful Māori outcomes across our local board area
- empower rangatahi / youth through leadership development and greater involvement in local decision-making
- upgrade local parks and community facilities to improve accessibility, safety and enjoyment for everyone

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Plan:

- Ō Tātou Tāngata / Our people: Mana whenua and Māori are active partners and participants in local decision-making
- Tō Tātou Hapori / Our community: Our community facilities and open spaces are interconnected, cost-efficient and fit-for-purpose
- Tō Tātou Taiao / Our environment: Our community is resilient and feels prepared for the effects of climate change.

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	347,247	312,400	312,400

Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to pool and leisure centres ¹	New measure	997,000	1,039,000
Percentage of time main pool and leisure centres services are accessible to the community	New measure	95%	96%
Percentage of local community facility assets components that are not in poor or very poor condition ²	New measure	83%	89%
Number of local community events delivered ³	New measure	4	5
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	20	20
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 ²	New measure	92%	84%

¹There are no intended service level changes to pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model

³The 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 includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$1.1 million.

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

- help strengthen local business development and engagement, and contribute to a safer, more vibrant and well-connected industrial and retail precincts in our rohe.
- working with Eke Panuku to ensure Transform Onehunga and Unlock Panmure projects continue to progress for the long-term benefit of our town centres, businesses and surrounding communities.

These local planning and development activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Plan:

- Tā Tātou Ōhanga / Our economy: Thriving local businesses.
- Ō Tātou Wāhi / Our Places: We encourage well-planned and sustainable infrastructure that supports our growth

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 such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$235,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2025/2026 reflect the principles of Te Ao Māori, recognising the deep connection between people and te taiao. These include:

- progress our local climate action programme to guide community-led environmental action and build resilience
- empower local households to adopt sustainable living practices
- engage schools and young people in waterway monitoring and restoration
- advance environmental restoration through:
 - community-led terrestrial projects
 - increasing capability for local community kai gardens
 - planting native plants and trees.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Plan:

- Tō Tātou Taiao / Our environment: Our ecosystems are respected, protected and restored.

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 participants in sustainable initiative programmes ³	New measure	6,008	5,250
Number of planting events for biodiversity enhancement ³	New measure	3	4

³The 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 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 \$1.2 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Maungakiekie-Tāmaki 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	19,238	23,364
Targeted rates	1,670	1,073
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	31	31
Fees and charges	524	461
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	220	154
Total operating funding	21,683	25,084
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	17,148	20,422
Finance costs	2,113	2,166
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,339	2,472
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	21,599	25,059
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	83	25
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	21,785	21,797
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	21,785	21,797
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	8,798	7,884
- to improve the level of service	1,517	7,074
- to replace existing assets	4,217	6,904
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	14,532	21,822
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(83)	(25)
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
Council Controlled Organisations	We continue to advocate for the ongoing delivery of the 'Unlock Panmure' and 'Transform Onehunga' projects as Eke Panuku's functions transition into Auckland Council. It is critical that lessons learned during Eke Panuku's involvement inform future planning and implementation. Despite substantial investment, progress to date has fallen short of expectations. Ongoing funding and a more proactive, accelerated approach are essential to achieving the intended outcomes for our communities.
Transport	We continue to advocate for meaningful engagement on the broader impacts of City Rail Link (CRL)-related works, including the redevelopment of the Glen Innes train station. We support integrated public transport solutions, such as enhancements to Penrose Station and improvements within the Onehunga town centre. We also call for a comprehensive, area-wide transport plan to address ongoing concerns about level crossings in Onehunga and Penrose, and to ensure the Avondale to Southdown and East-West link corridors are delivered with the right long-term solutions. While we acknowledge Auckland Transport's goal of increasing public transport use, commuter behaviour is still evolving. In the interim, practical measures such as paid park-and-ride options remain necessary to meet current demand.
Growth	We recognise the critical role development contributions play in ensuring infrastructure keeps pace with housing growth, and we are concerned about their impact in Tāmaki, which remains one of the most expensive areas for development in Auckland. We have urged the Governing Body to take this into account in future growth and infrastructure planning to ensure development in the area remains viable and well-supported.
Funding	We advocated for a 'user-pays' funding model for Major Events, including the implementation of ticketing systems to ensure that users directly contribute to associated costs. We also emphasised that decisions made by the Governing Body have a direct impact on the funding available to local boards and raised concerns about the potential negative effects on local projects. To enable better planning, we called for clearer and more consistent funding allocations. We also strongly support greater flexibility in the use of the 'Fix and Finish' Fund, allowing us to deliver smaller but high-impact local projects.

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.



Maria Meredith

Chairperson
Mobile 021 195 9875
maria.meredith@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Debbie Burrows

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 534 930
Debbie.Burrows@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Chris Makoare

Mobile 021 0206 2990
Chris.Makoare@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Don Allan

Mobile 021 489 030
Don.Allan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Nerissa Henry

Mobile 021 198 1468
Nerissa.Henry@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Peter McGlashan

Peter.McGlashan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Tony Woodcock

Mobile 021 197 3146
Tony.Woodcock@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email maungakiekietamakilocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board.

For more information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- call 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Ōrākei

Ōrākei Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

We have listened to our community and are continuing some initiatives, and we are trying some new ones for 2025/2026.

While we acknowledge how fortunate we are to live in one of our nation's finest suburbs, we often hear from our community that more can and should be done to address loneliness. In response to this concern, we will scope and then start work to address loneliness with initiatives at our community centres, libraries and through our community-focused staff. We don't want to duplicate existing initiatives. We want to facilitate and co-ordinate.

We also often hear that our community, and rightly so, wants the council to allocate more resources to enforcing our regulations and bylaws. We intend to fund two full-time compliance wardens dedicated to our local board area for financial year 2025/2026 and the following year. The wardens will focus on public safety and nuisance, and low-level animal management issues.

We're also progressing work with a Community Resilience Activator to deliver civil defence training, increase local preparedness, and engage with diverse and high-needs communities through events and outreach programmes.

We've also increased our funding to work more closely with the three iwi in our board area: Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, Ngāti Pāoa, and Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki. We intend to build closer relationships with them and implement projects and events aligned with their aspirations.

Starting construction of the Meadowbank Community Centre is a top priority for our local board and has been for some time. We are actively urging council staff to find a new development partner.

In straightened financial times, we are constantly striving for smarter solutions, beneficial partnerships and thrifty ways to deliver a chock-full work plan.

But fun is important too, so we look forward to the centenary celebration of the Remuera Library, and numerous other events in our beautiful parks and reserves.

Ngā mihi,



Scott Milne

Chair, Ōrākei Local Board

Ōrākei Local Board area



A population of **83,196**
with estimated population
increase to 112,949 by 2050



Ōrākei is
home to over
8 swimming
beaches



LEGEND

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



7 community centres
and halls and **6**
volcanic features

Ōrākei boasts over
20km of coastal
walks

112 parks and
reserves, **2** libraries

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

Ōrākei Local Board Plan 2023

The Ōrākei 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are our most valuable asset and at the heart of what we do.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Ōrākei has clean waterways, thriving habitats and committed environmental volunteers.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

We find creative ways to provide the facilities and services that our community needs and look after what we have.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our area is well-planned, prepared for growth and offers great transport connections.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our town centres are thriving and local businesses are resilient.

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 Ōrākei Local Board Plan aims to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- connecting and engaging with our three local iwi, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, Ngāti Pāoa, and Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki, using our funding for 'Māori Responsiveness Ōrākei'
- working with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, along with local environmental groups, to enhance the health of ecosystems in the Pourewa Valley, including sourcing native plants from their Pourewa Nursery for restoration work in the valley
- developing a strong waka culture and daily presence of the iwi in Ōkahu Bay
- supporting Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei to advance their plans to build a hauora centre / multi-use indoor sports facility in Ōrākei Domain.

Ōrākei 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	\$17.6 million	\$356,000	\$833,000	\$1.0 million	\$19.8 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$7.4 million	-	-	-	\$7.4 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Ōrākei 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, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$17.6 million and capital investment of \$7.4 million.

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

- connecting communities and building resilience across our seniors, youth and diverse communities through events, funding contestable grants and supporting their wellbeing
- continuing to develop our sports fields and other infrastructure, including upgrading fields at Colin Maiden Park, refurbishing the Eastern Suburbs Football Club buildings at Madills Farm, renewing the Ellerslie Domain multi-sport courts and progressing the development plan for Thomas Bloodworth and Shore Road East reserves to meet an ever-increasing demand especially from the growth in women's sport
- funding a Community Resilience Activator to deliver civil defence training, increase local preparedness, and engage with diverse and high-needs communities through events and outreach programmes
- funding events such as our business awards, our much-loved Anzac services, and bringing back our wonderful Christmas event, Carols on the Green
- funding work to scope and implement initiatives to reduce loneliness in our community.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Ōrākei Local Board Plan:

- Our people: Our people are our most valuable asset and at the heart of what we do
- Our community: We find creative ways to provide the facilities and services that our community needs and look after what we have

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	345,041	326,000	331,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres	New measure	62,000	62,000
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 ²	New measure	82%	96%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	15	15
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 ²	New measure	95%	92%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme	New measure	44	48

¹Opening hours for Remuera library is intended to increase for 2025/2026, and this is reflected in a higher target.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

Local planning and development

Local planning and development activities includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$833,000.

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

- endorse the recommended Ellerslie Business Association, Remuera Business Association and St Heliers Village Association BID targeted rates to support BID programmes to improve the business environment, encourage resilience and attract new businesses and customers.

These local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Ōrākei Local Board Plan:

- Our economy: Our town centres are thriving and local businesses are resilient.

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 and improving stream and water quality.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$356,000.

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

- continue to improve water quality, including in Newmarket/Middleton Stream and Waiata Reserve
- fund local volunteer groups, such as Eastern Bays Songbird Project, to support pest plant control
- support environmental education and action among students in our local schools through our Ōrākei Sustainable Schools Moth Plant Competition and Ōrākei Schools Marine Programme
- fund cycling initiatives such as cycle skills training in schools, learn-to-ride events for kids and community-led activities and events
- fund our bi-annual Environmental Forum, which we will organise and deliver alongside our fantastic local environmental groups.

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Ōrākei Local Board Plan:

- Our people: Our people are our most valuable asset and at the heart of what we do
- Our environment: Ōrākei has clean waterways, thriving habitats and committed environmental volunteers
- Our community: We find creative ways to provide the facilities and services that our community needs and look after what we have.

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 participants in sustainable initiative programmes	New measure	420	420
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas	New measure	23	23
Rounds of environmental monitoring carried out in key areas	New measure	10	10

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 \$1.0 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Ōrākei 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	17,092	20,520
Targeted rates	601	640
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	22	22
Fees and charges	515	408
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	614	491
Total operating funding	18,843	22,080
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	14,975	17,950
Finance costs	1,520	1,636
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,189	2,305
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	18,684	21,890
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	159	190
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	7,981	7,265
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	7,981	7,265
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	14	505
- to improve the level of service	4,530	1,738
- to replace existing assets	3,597	5,212
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	8,141	7,455
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(159)	(190)
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
Water quality and infrastructure	The board seeks increased regional investment in waterways and water quality, including improved capacity for engineered overflow points, investment in the Waiatarua Reserve stormwater tunnel, the Newmarket Gully project, and more resource into separating wastewater and stormwater infrastructure.
Transport	The local board request the completion of the Gowing Drive connection to Te Ara Ki Uta Ki Tai – Glen Innes to Tāmaki Drive Shared Path.
Planning and development	Request the Governing Body to emphasise the need to central government for more discretion over planning and developing bespoke plans for the Auckland region and local board areas.
Finance and budgeting	The board asks the Governing Body to provide better and clearer information on future budgets and allocations. Local boards cannot have certainty in making long-term decisions without reliable advice from staff, including on the Annual Budget and Fairer Funding.
Rates	The board urges the Governing Body to increase the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) to address an inequity that has developed as the overall rates take has increased, and intensification has increased the number of people putting pressure on basic council services.

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.



Scott Milne
Chairperson
Mobile 021 876 326
scott.milne@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Sarah Powrie
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 142 2913
sarah.powrie@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Troy Churton
Mobile 021 042 1110
troy.churton@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Margaret Voyce
Mobile 029 880 9900
margaret.voyce@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Angus McPhee
Mobile 027 929 2007
angus.mcphee@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



David Wong
Mobile 021 723 846
david.o.wong@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Penny Tucker
Mobile 021 256 0454
penny.tucker@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email Ōrākeilocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Ōrākei Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Ōtara-Papatoetoe

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the chair

I am pleased to present our Local Board Agreement for 2025/2026. This forms part of Auckland Council's Long-term Plan 2024-2034 and is an important step in delivering the three-year Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Plan 2023.

We extend our gratitude to all who took part in the consultation, providing valuable feedback on the council's annual plan and our local board initiatives. We are proud that the majority of you support all or most of our proposed programmes for the coming year.

As a local board, we remain committed to managing resources responsibly, ensuring a balanced approach that meets community needs and aspirations. Despite financial constraints, with no additional operational budget, in the upcoming year, we will continue to prioritise our people by strengthening connections, fostering safety and wellbeing, achieving positive Māori outcomes and protecting our environment.

Some of initiatives we will focus on include:

- safety initiatives in our town centres including fun-activities, tidy-ups and engagements
- local and regional diversity and inclusion events and programmes e.g. Christmas parades, Matariki celebrations.
- implementing the local 'Play Plan' to promote wide play opportunities for all ages in all spaces
- providing community grants to support a variety of vibrant community-led initiatives
- age-friendly initiatives, youth development and capacity building (e.g. leadership) for groups and organisations.

In the year ahead we will undertake improvements to the sports fields at Rongomai Park and East Tāmaki Reserve. We will also upgrade netball facilities at Ngāti Ōtara Park.

We will continue advocating to the Governing Body for budget:

- to implement the Manukau Sports Bowl Masterplan
- to speed-up investment in a community hub in Old Papatoetoe Town Centre

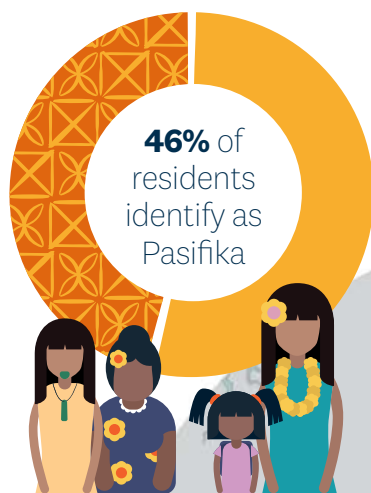
"O le tele o sulu e maua ai figota" - "Through collaboration, the most difficult challenges can be overcome".

Together, we can build a stronger, more connected Ōtara-Papatoetoe.



Ngā mihi,
Apulu Reece Autagavaia
Chair, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area



Ōtara-Papatoetoe has a population of **86,949** with more than **100** different ethnicities



LEGEND

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

We're home to more than **110** local parks and sports fields, **4** libraries, **3** recreation centres and **2** community centres



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

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Plan 2023

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

People are at the heart of what we do. We support, empower and celebrate the diversity in our community. We are strong and resilient through our connections across cultures, neighbourhoods, age, sexual orientation, gender, and different needs. Māori history and tikanga is understood and valued as our unique point of difference in the world.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

We care, protect, and enhance our natural environment and built heritage. A Māori world view to treasure and protect taonga tuku iho (our natural environment) is key. Our communities, businesses and organisations act as stewards of the natural environment, make sustainable choices, and chose sustainable lifestyles. We act today to protect and preserve our environment for future generations.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Everyone has fair and easy access to council services and facilities, regardless of their circumstances. Mana whenua, mataawaka, organisations and neighbourhood groups maintain strong relationships, influence decisions, and actively contribute to local programmes.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our growing and changing community is well served and supported with high-quality and attractive spaces. New developments are well designed and have our present and future communities in mind. Connections within the local and surrounding areas are easy, effective, and reliable.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Locals thrive through being supported to develop and achieve their education, career, and business goals. There are economic opportunities for all. Our town centres are vibrant, busy and attract visitors from across Auckland and internationally.

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.

We strongly support Māori identity and culture and advancing Māori wellbeing and involvement in council decisions. We recognise mana whenua as the kaitiaki (guardians) of the land.

We work with Māngere-Otahuhu, Manurewa and Franklin local boards on the Ara Kōtui initiative in the south . This is an ongoing dialogue with mana whenua on local projects that respond favourably to Māori aspirations (mana whenua and mataawaka).

Our respect of Māori tikanga, is seen in many aspects of our local board plan such as Ngā matatini Māori (Māori diversity), and kotahitanga (Māori unity, shared sense of belonging).

Examples of this includes:

- the Manukau Harbour Forum
- Maori responsiveness – addressing capability to deliver on Māori outcomes and aspirations, support iwi-led projects such as wananga, workshops, arts, locally-led Matariki initiatives.
- Ara Kōtui – working closely with iwi that have an interest in the south, and to strengthen involvement in local board decision-making.
- Ōtara Papatoetoe - Te Kete Rukuruku (Māori naming of parks and Places) Tranche 3.

The local board will continue to support programmes that contribute to Māori development. Some examples include:

- supporting our local libraries to deliver and promote Te Ao Māori and Te Reo language programmes
- support work with Māori/mana whenua delivery partners at every opportunity through increased funding support for initiatives for Māori responsiveness.

Ōtara Papatoetoe 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	\$24.5 million	\$392,000	\$869,000	\$1.2 million	\$27 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$8.5 million	-	-	-	\$8.5 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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 \$24.5 million and capital investment of \$8.5 million.

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

- review library and community services in Old Papatoetoe to ensure community facilities meet current and future needs
- local area service property portfolio review to identify opportunities for priorities and gaps for future capital investment for Ōtara-Papatoetoe communities
- Capacity building and youth empowerment for local communities
- Social cohesion for diverse communities
- Hosting local and regional events building social cohesion for diverse communities
- Activation of the Otara Town Centre through programming at the Otara Library, OMAC and Fresh Gallery

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

- Our people: Local community groups are empowered to deliver projects and events
- Our people: A socially cohesive community that is proud of and celebrates its diversity
- Our people: Te ao Māori is visible and integrated in all areas of life
- Our people: Rangatahi (youth) are active, learning and shaping community life
- Our community: Māori culture and the values of mātauranga Māori are visible in public spaces
- Our economy: Thriving small businesses and safe town centres

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	438,754	386,000	465,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New Measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New Measure	466,000	737,000
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 ²	New Measure	79%	89%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities ³	New Measure	12	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 ²	New Measure	93%	85%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ³	New Measure	81	31

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries and pools and leisure centres, the targets have been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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 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 \$869,000.

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

- supporting community-led safety initiatives across town centres and neighbourhoods

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

- Our places: Attractive and welcoming spaces and neighbourhoods
- Our people: Local Community groups are empowered to deliver projects and events
- Our community: Our community has access to high-quality and well-maintained facilities

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 \$392,000.

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

- sustainability initiatives such as EcoNeighbourhoods, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Enviroschools
- Healthy Waters initiatives including Manukau Harbour Forum, and Ōtara Waterways and Lake Trust
- Kaiwaka programme for restoring food, connecting communities to land and composting
- Pest-Free South Auckland to allow ngahere (trees), native birds, and other wildlife to flourish by supporting local residents to carry out pest plant and animal control in their backyards and in local reserves.

These local environmental management activity and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Plan:

- Our environment: Communities leading on sustainability and climate action
- Our environment: Restored biodiversity and improved water quality in local streams, the Manukau Harbour, and the Tāmaki Estuary.

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 events/workshops held for sustainable outcomes	New Measure	36	35
Number of community groups supported to undertake waste initiatives ³	New Measure	29	69

³The 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 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 \$1.2 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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	22,035	25,591
Targeted rates	1,552	1,668
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	121	116
Fees and charges	2,587	2,408
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	317	244
Total operating funding	26,612	30,027
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	21,459	24,767
Finance costs	1,786	1,873
Internal charges and overheads applied	3,061	3,096
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	26,306	29,736
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	306	291
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	5,940	8,247
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	5,940	8,247
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	907	1,560
- to improve the level of service	271	317
- to replace existing assets	5,069	6,660
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	6,247	8,538
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(306)	(291)
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
Manukau Sports Bowl (Transform)	The Manukau Sports Bowl (MSB) masterplan is part and parcel of the Transform Manukau project. The board is seeking \$15 to \$20 million to deliver the vision and projects of the Masterplan. Our priority is the athletics track and indoor courts, and we need to secure ongoing operational funding. The gains from such an investment are not limited to Ōtara-Papatoetoe alone, but it serves wider Auckland.
Papatoetoe Community Hub (Unlock)	With the suburb growing at speed the community requires a vibrant hub and high-quality services - a civic space for locals to participate and celebrate their diversity and upgraded community facilities such as Allan Brewster Leisure Centre, library and chambers building. We seek continued commitment to unlock the urban potential in the area, which will lead to increased residential and visitor populations. opportunity to accelerate our efforts in addressing community needs.
Safety	Safety concerns need to be addressed through enhanced community safety initiatives in our neighbourhoods and town centres - Papatoetoe, Ōtara and Hunters Corner. We seek increased funding and resource for compliance and enforcement with extend allocation from a currently centralised focus to an equitable attention to Ōtara-Papatoetoe. Advocate for further central government funding for crime prevention to enable local boards to respond to increasing local challenge.

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.



Apulu Reece Autagavaia

Chairperson

Mobile 021 723 146

reece.autagavaia@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Vi Hausia

Deputy Chairperson

Mobile 027 213 3535

vi.hausia@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Dr Ofa Dewes, MNZM

Mobile 021 198 1711

ofa.dewes@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Ashraf Choudhary, QSO, JP

Mobile 021 799 573

ashraf.choudhary@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Topou Folau

Mobile 027 201 1980

topou.folau@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Li'amanaia Lorenzo Kaisara

Mobile 027 307 9974

lorenzo.kaisara@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Albert Lim

Mobile 027 216 4784

albert.lim@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email Ōtarapapatoetoelocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Papakura

Papakura Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

I am pleased to present our 2025/2026 Local Board Agreement. This includes our key priorities and advocacy areas.

This is our second year of delivering our 2023 local board plan. We appreciate the feedback you provided to help shape our priorities.

The Papakura Local Board area has recently welcomed a large number of new citizens, and growth in the area is expected to continue. As a result, the community has expressed the importance of providing free events to bring the community together. We will continue to support free events like Carols in the Park and the Santa Parade. We will also continue to support free programmes and exhibitions at [Papakura Art Gallery](#), [Papakura Museum](#) and both of our libraries.

We invested in two key pieces of work in the 2024/2025 financial year to identify:

- economic development opportunities
- sport and recreation facility needs.

We plan to progress recommendations from both pieces of work in 2025/2026.

We are also looking forward to work to:

- connect water and wastewater at [Ōpaheke Sports Park](#)
- refurbish [Elizabeth Campbell Centre](#).

The environment continues to be an area of importance to the community, and we will continue to improve the health of [Te Koiwi Reserve](#) (Te Koiwi Park) and Bruce Pulman Park stormwater ponds. This will also improve water quality in the receiving environment.

We will also continue to support other projects of importance to the community. These include:

- environmental education in schools
- works to restore Papakura Stream.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working with you on our key priorities throughout the year.

Ngā mihi,



Brent Catchpole

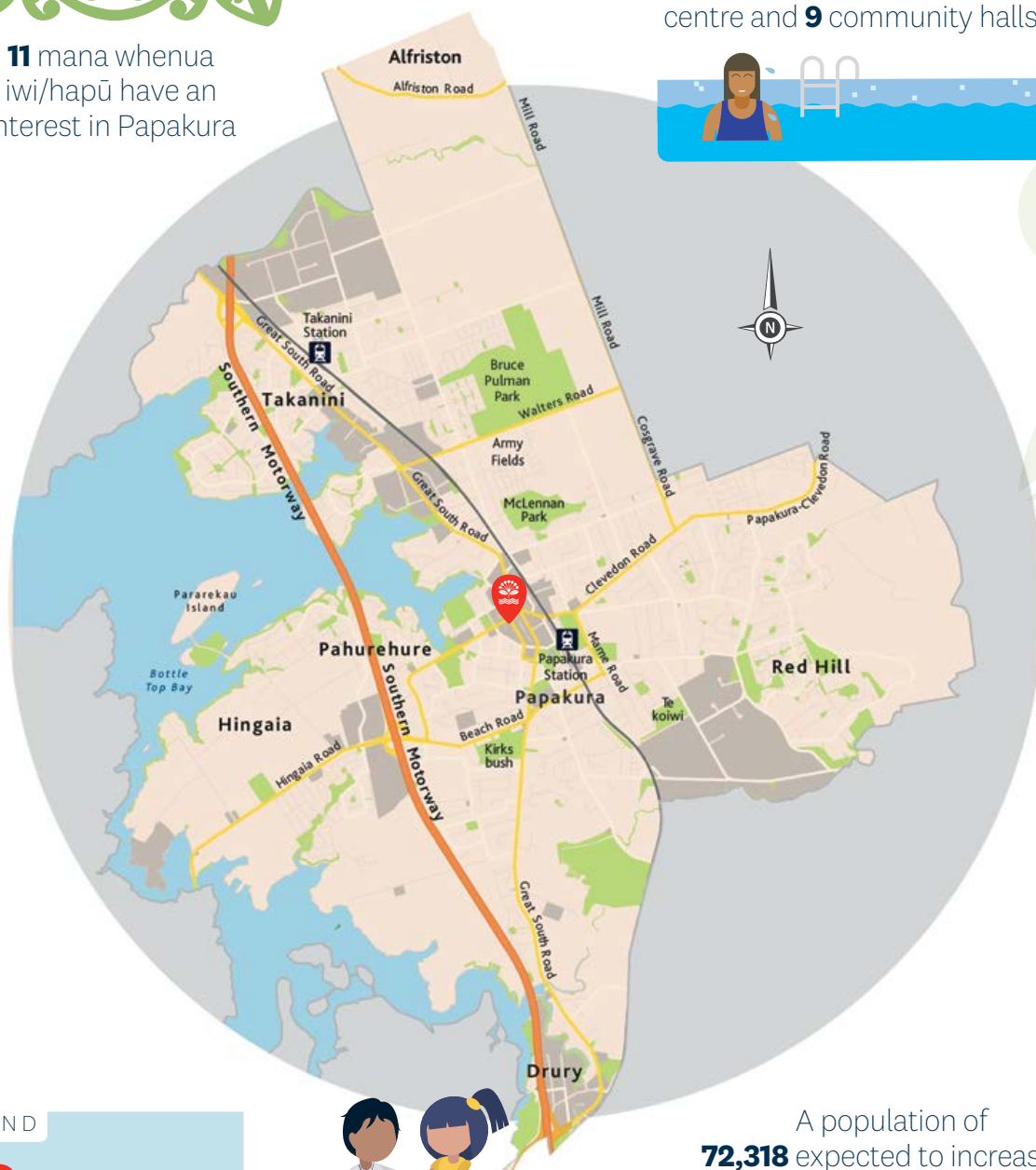
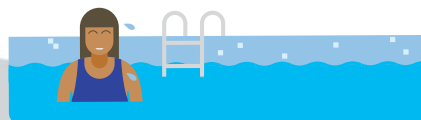
Chair Papakura Local Board

Papakura Local Board area



11 mana whenua
iwi/hapū have an
interest in Papakura

We are home to more than **140** local parks
and sports fields, **1** aquatic centre, **2** libraries,
1 community hub and library, **1** recreation
centre and **9** community halls



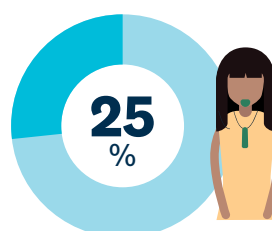
LEGEND

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



24% of Papakura's
residents are 14
years or younger

A population of
72,318 expected to increase to
83,010 by 2050



25% of
residents
identify as
Māori

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

Papakura Local Board Plan 2023

The [Papakura 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Strong partnerships with Māori are continued and Māori aspirations are supported. The diverse community identity and culture in Papakura is celebrated. The safety of the community, their wellbeing, community preparedness and resilience is improved across the local board area.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Continued support of programmes that improve the health of our environment through increasing the tree canopy coverage, improving air and water quality, reducing the threat of pests, and addressing pollution and waste. We want people to have opportunities to enjoy the environment around local parks, our harbour and streams.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

A community enriched by its diversity, where people feel connected and lead active, healthy lives. We have great parks and places to play and enjoy. We come together at lively events and activities that include people socially, drawing on the strengths of our different cultures. As our population grows and becomes more diverse, our parks, community spaces and facilities need to keep pace with rising demand and changing needs.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

A well-connected area where it's easy to move around. Our roads are less congested, public transport is convenient and reliable, walkways and cycleways are linked together and safe. It is also important to ensure that the significant growth occurring in the local board area is supported by appropriate infrastructure.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our local economy thrives, with successful local businesses creating quality jobs for local people. Our commercial centres are great places to work, shop, relax and enjoy. Visitor numbers are increased through the promotion of facilities and services in Papakura.

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 Papakura Local Board seeks to achieve positive outcomes for Māori with initiatives that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to take part in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- Ara Kōtui – an initiative that engages southern mana whenua groups to provide input into local decision-making
- Pukekiwiri Paa Joint Management Committee – a co-governance committee with kaitiaki (guardianship) over [Pukekiwiri Paa](#)
- Te Kete Rukuruku which involves collecting and telling unique stories about the Papakura area
- ongoing support for the [Manukau Harbour Forum](#) and the Papakura Stream (ecological restoration and waterways protection) to improve the water quality of the Manukau Harbour
- the [Urban Ngahere \(Forest\) Strategy](#) to increase tree canopy coverage
- [Te Koiwi Reserve](#) pond enhancements in collaboration with Papakura Marae
- giving visibility to Māori culture and te reo by progressing opportunities identified in the Papakura Heritage Interpretation Strategy
- improving the environment and biodiversity through pest animal and plant control
- funding local Māori-led initiatives like Māori wardens, Whiri Aroha, Matariki celebrations and others
- celebrating and promoting te ao Māori through our libraries and events
- supporting food security activities such as māra kai community gardens.

Papakura 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	\$16.9 million	\$191,000	\$358,000	\$1.3 million	\$18.8 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$5.7 million	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5.7 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Papakura 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 \$16.9 million and capital investment of \$5.7 million.

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

- support Māori-led aspirations
- support māra kai (community garden) initiatives
- provide free events like Anzac services, the Santa Parade and Carols in the Park
- provide a community arts programme
- improve community safety through contributing funding to neighbourhood support and community patrol initiatives.

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

- Ō Tātou Tāngata | Our people
- Ngā huanga Māori | Māori outcomes
- Te Tāruke ā-Tāwhiri | Climate change

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	291,311	256,000	292,000

Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres	New measure	353,000	355,000
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 ²	New measure	79%	84%
Number of local community events delivered ³	New measure	5	4
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	10	10
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	7	7
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 ²	New measure	94%	91%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ³	New measure	29	48

¹There are no intended service level changes to libraries, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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 includes 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 \$358,000.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

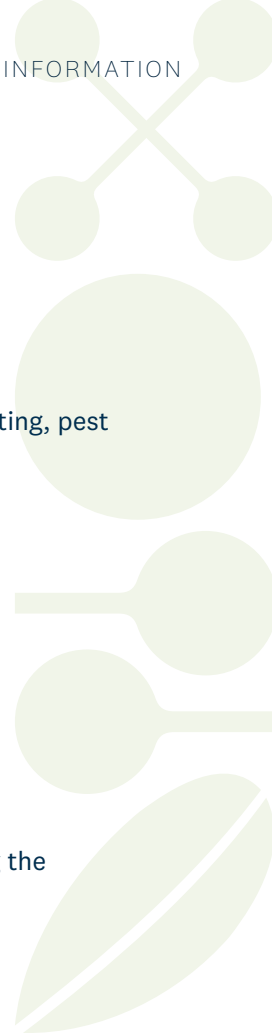
- progress opportunities to develop our local economy identified in our 2024/2025 economic development planning project.

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome in the Papakura Local Board Plan:

- Tā Tātou Ōhanga | Our economy

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, improving stream and water quality, healthy homes and projects to minimise.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$191,000.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- continue projects to help reduce waste
- improve pond health at [Bruce Pulman Park](#) and Te Koiwi
- continue the Papakura Stream restoration programme
- deliver the Wai Care education programme
- advocate to improve water quality through the [Manukau Harbour Forum](#)
- manage pests.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the in the Papakura Local Board Plan:

- Tō Tātou Taiao | Our environment
- Ngā huanga Māori | Māori outcomes
- Te Tāruke ā-Tāwhiri | Climate change

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			
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas	New measure	16	16

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 \$1.3 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Papakura 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	17,883	20,013
Targeted rates	297	332
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	16	17
Fees and charges	461	486
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	143	94
Total operating funding	18,800	20,942
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	15,238	17,295
Finance costs	1,355	1,458
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,178	2,184
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	18,771	20,938
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	29	4
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	3,874	5,729
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	3,874	5,729
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	810	139
- to improve the level of service	432	185
- to replace existing assets	2,661	5,410
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	3,903	5,734
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(29)	(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
Growth	Growth in neighbouring local board areas like Franklin puts pressure on infrastructure in our local board area. However, we do not receive funding to address the impacts of this growth. Funding for growth in the Papakura area needs to include more operational spend that is adjusted each year to pay for the assets needed to support this. Papakura has experienced significant growth with high density housing. This is creating social issues and pressure on our existing infrastructure. We do not have the funds we need to cover increasing costs to buy, run and maintain the assets needed to address this growth.
Inflationary pressures for future years	We do not receive additional funds under the council's 'fairer funding' model. We have not received advice about how we can manage increasing costs in future years. We strongly advocate for additional funding to cover increasing costs on an ongoing basis. Without this, we are concerned that we will have to significantly reduce existing levels of service in our communities.
Investment in sports facilities in growth areas	Drury Sports Complex (Papakura Local Board area): Major growth in wider Drury will put pressure on Drury Sports Complex. This is on the border of Papakura and Franklin Local Board areas. We request funding for the Drury Sports Complex concept plan now. This will allow both Papakura and Franklin Local Boards to invest for the benefit of local communities rather than wait to acquire new land through the Drury development process. Franklin Local Board is looking into how it can use its assets to partly fund this project. Ōpaheke Sports Park (Papakura Local Board area): Ōpaheke Sports Park is an asset with potential to support new and growing communities on the border of Franklin and Papakura. We request to use funding now that is set aside for 2028/2029. We will use this to apply layers of sand to the sports field to improve drainage and irrigation. Karaka Sports Park, Karaka (Franklin Local Board area) We request for Franklin Local Board to be allowed to use the regional unallocated project funding for Karaka Sports Park and Community Hub projects. The business case for this project was completed in 2020 and is now ready to start. This project responds to greenfield development (building on undeveloped land) in Hingaia, Papakura, Karaka, Clarks Beach and Drury. The Franklin Local Board is investing some of its capital spend to fund parts of this plan.

Initiative	Description
Support to enforce compliance for: • roaming dogs and animals • consent compliance • freedom camping • noise	Compliance and enforcement activities are not fairly delivered across the region despite an additional 16 compliance enforcement positions provided for in the long-term plan. There is a lack of council services in outer areas of Auckland. These services are not allocated based on need. We request advice from council staff about how to address the lack of council services in these areas. To review how the council can support and enforce better compliance in outer-Auckland areas could involve: • more funding in the short-term • diverting compliance staff from the city centre, especially during the summer when more people visit coastal areas and poor behaviour increases.
Continue to support local boards to manage community facilities and ensure council services are well-delivered and effective	The Community Facilities Network Plan is being refreshed for the region. Parks and Community Facilities Maintenance Contract (project 27) is also imminently due for renewal. Local boards manage and fund community facilities (except for regional parks). We are asking for Governing Body support to ensure that local boards lead any planning, policy or delivery of community facilities. This includes local boards agreeing what work is needed and how it will be done. Note the recent pools and leisure facilities management multi-year contract that was negotiated regionally on behalf of the local boards involved, is an example of local boards not being given the power to make decisions.
Prioritise growth funded development of parks in greenfield development areas	We want to prioritise park development in areas where land has been acquired but play and recreation services remain undeveloped due to a lack of local funding. We recommend prioritising parks that have been waiting the longest. These are: • Ōpaheke Sports Park: stage 1 and 2 – water and wastewater connections and add layers of sand to the fields numbered 3 and 4 • Kuhanui Reserve: develop the playground • Awakeri Wetlands: develop the playground • Drury Sports Complex: deliver a concept plan • Hingaia Park: deliver stage 2 of the concept plan • Karaka Sport Park: support Franklin Local Board advocacy for funding of this park • 158A Park Estate Road: the develop playground • Ōpaheke Sports Park: stage 3 – develop the remaining sports fields.

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.



Brent Catchpole

Chairperson
Mobile 021 390 430
brent.catchpole@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Jan Robinson, JP

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 193 6303
jan.robinson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Andrew Webster

Mobile 027 246 9311
andrew.webster@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Felicity Auva'a

Mobile 021 526 941
felicity.auvaa@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



George Hawkins

Mobile 021 197 7553
george.hawkins1@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Kelvin Hieatt

Mobile 027 256 0756
kelvin.hieatt@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email papakuralocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Papakura Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Puketāpapa

Puketāpapa Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

The Puketāpapa Local Board Agreement 2025/2026 sets out our budget and funding for activities in 2025/2026.

During public consultation for Auckland's Annual Plan 2025/2036, we received feedback from community groups, volunteers and organisations. We are grateful for this support.

This consultation mostly focused on our priorities for the additional funding we will get through 'fairer funding'. With an increase of \$2.4 million operational budget and \$3.1 million capital budget, we can make some significant and exciting changes.

We can now complete projects delayed due to budget cuts and start new projects to better-support our growing and changing community.

There was clear support for all our proposed priorities, and we appreciate the feedback you provided. We have clear direction from the community of the importance of bringing people together, for example through:

- community facilities like the [Fickling Centre](#)
- more public spaces
- safety and connection
- more arts and event activities.

As we have seen through previous consultations, climate action and the environment also remain a focus for the community.

Our key advocacy to the Governing Body is for investment to respond to growth in our area by:

- providing more open space and recreational opportunities
- reducing flood risks and improving flood resilience
- building more infrastructure
- supporting local economic development resources and activities.

Ngā mihi,



Ella Kumar

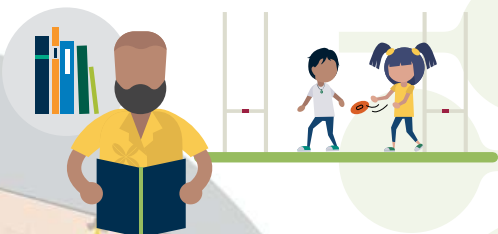
Chair Puketāpapa Local Board

Puketāpapa Local Board area

50% of our residents identify as Asian, which includes Indian, Chinese, Sri Lankan, Filipino and Korean communities



We are home to almost **100** parks, many linked by greenways, **2** recreation centres, **1** swimming pool, **1** library and numerous community centres



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)

Motorway

Major road

Arterial road

Medium road

Minor road

A **unique landscape** including Manukau Harbour, Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek and **2** volcanic cones (Puketāpapa/Pukewīwī/Mt Roskill and Te Tātua o Rīu-kī-uta/Big King)



13 mana whenua have an interest in Puketāpapa



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

Puketāpapa Local Board Plan 2023

The Puketāpapa 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are thriving and have a strong sense of connection to Puketāpapa and its range of multi-cultural communities. Te ao Māori is valued and reflected in the rohe.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Our natural environment is valued and cared for, and people feel a sense of connection with local parks, rivers and the harbour. Climate resilience is front of mind and our people can live in environmentally sustainable ways.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our communities have the places and activities that enhance their lifestyles. There is strong local leadership, with resilient, safe and supportive communities, particularly through times of change and challenge.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our changing neighbourhoods are well-designed, creating places that are safe, accessible and inviting. Transport systems are safe and accessible, and cater for all, including walking, cycling, as well as private and public transport.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Puketāpapa thrives as a desirable place for business where people can work and shop locally. Businesses and events contribute to both economic growth and vibrancy, embracing the richness that comes from our varied backgrounds and talents.

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 Puketāpapa Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- Continue to work with mana whenua in their role as kaitiaki on implementing the Te Auaunga restoration strategy, such as the tohu marker project
- Deliver and advocate for a reflection of Te Ao Māori in the landscape, as identified by mana whenua in the Integrated Area Plan and Te Auaunga tohu (marker) project e.g. use Te Reo Māori in signage and road naming
- Support events that celebrate Māori identity and culture e.g. Manu Aute Kite Day
- Support projects that implement the restoration strategies of Te Auaunga, and the Wairaki catchments
- Continue to support the Manukau Harbour Forum
- Support and advocate for projects in rapidly growing neighbourhoods that increase the resilience of the biodiversity in open spaces and ngahere e.g. pest control
- Continue to implement actions from the Puketāpapa Ngahere Action Plan 2021, which aligns with the regional Urban Ngahere Strategy
- Development of a masterplan for Monte Cecilia Park

Puketāpapa 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	\$13 million	\$840,000	\$50,000	\$983,000	\$14.9 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$5.7 million	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5.7 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Puketāpapa 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 \$13 million and capital investment of \$5.7 million.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- provide longer opening hours and more programmes at [Wesley Community Centre](#), [Roskill Youth Zone](#) and Roskill Community Hub to better-serve the growing community
- better utilise council leased spaces by supporting community groups to share these spaces
- apply recommendations from the Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan to meet the recreational needs of our growing communities
- develop a masterplan to guide decision-making about the future use and development of [Monte Cecilia Park](#)
- start work on some big projects like:
 - building a new neighbourhood park in Howell Crescent, Mount Roskill
 - updating the playground at Wesley Community Centre
 - upgrading sports fields at [Keith Hay Park](#)
 - improving sports lighting at [May Road War Memorial park](#) in Mount Roskill
 - improvements at [Pah Homestead](#)
 - fixing walking tracks on the [Waikōwhai Walkway: Manukau coastal walk](#).
- fund a community arts and events broker to develop strategic relationships to help deliver diverse community-led local arts and culture programmes and events
- support community-led initiatives to :
 - engage diverse groups
 - promote safety and community identity
 - increase greater connection and participation among businesses and community members.

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

- Our people
- Our community
- Our places.

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	197,568	191,000	244,000
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	337,000	415,000
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	90%	97%
Number of activities and events delivered which support local communities to be physically active ⁴	New Measure	20	100
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New Measure	20	20
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	94%	91%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme	New Measure	29	31

¹The target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers, and Mt Roskill library is expected to increase opening hours and is reflected in the higher target for 2025/2026.

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

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

⁴The 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 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 \$50,000.

There is no performance measure for this activity.

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 \$1 million.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- work with mana whenua and stakeholders to:
 - improve the health of our streams as part of the Wairaki Awa Catchment Plan
 - remove underground piped-sections of Wairaki Stream in Hillsborough to let the water flow naturally on the surface ('daylighting') to improve water quality, reduce flooding and create a habitat for native plants and wildlife
- support volunteer groups to:
 - restore the local environment
 - improve the health of native plants and animals, biodiversity and natural habitats
 - fund [Urban Ark - Manawa Taiao](#) to work with community groups in our area.
- increase the number of our climate action programmes with:
 - community cycling initiatives
 - funding for the [Albert Eden and Puketāpapa EcoFest](#)
 - support for climate actions in local households and local businesses.
- continue to support the [Manukau Harbour Forum](#)
- increase spending on managing pest plants.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Puketāpapa Local Board Plan:

- Our environment
- Our people

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 community groups supported in sustainable initiative programmes ⁴	New Measure	23	31
Number of properties visited for pest plant control	New Measure	60	60

⁴The 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 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 \$837,000.

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) (Auckland 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 Puketāpapa 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	11,879	16,041
Targeted rates	0	0
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	19	19
Fees and charges	533	577
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	12	30
Total operating funding	12,443	16,667
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	9,824	13,646
Finance costs	1,129	1,240
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,479	1,792
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	12,432	16,679
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	11	(11)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	3,223	5,695
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	3,223	5,695
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	1,130	184
- to improve the level of service	903	402
- to replace existing assets	1,200	5,099
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	3,234	5,684
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(11)	11
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
Investment to meet population growth	The Puketāpapa Local Board continues to advocate for ongoing investment in our area due to its growing population. In order for our community to thrive there needs to be adequate investment in both infrastructure and community facilities that meet the needs of our people. We advocate for increased investment into footpaths in the local board area, as many of them are in poor condition or too narrow to utilise safely. Particularly crucial in our growing neighbourhoods.
Improved provision of open space	Improved provision of open space, recreational opportunities and other economic investments are needed to help the Puketāpapa community to thrive. To support sub regional water sports provision objectives, we continue to advocate for a needs assessment to be undertaken for Cameron Pool as part of the wider Community Facilities Network review.
On-going funding	We also advocate for ongoing funding to support provision of other facilities such as sports changing rooms, arts centres and community hubs. The Fickling Centre is a well-utilised facility, but not entirely fit for purpose for those in the community with access needs. The Puketāpapa Local Board request that accessibility needs are considered in ongoing facility reviews for the Fickling Centre.
Flood mitigation and resilience	Recent flooding has again reminded us of the need to be vigilant and proactive about addressing flood risk. The Puketāpapa Local Board continue to advocate for • further naturalisation of Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek, Whau and Wairaki catchment; and • improvements to the repair of flood damaged parks / coastal infrastructure; and • the development of blue-green networks in our area, which will create greater resilience to flooding.
Monte Cecilia Park Master Plan Implementation	Retention of funding for Monte Cecilia Park, noted in the Unitary Plan as having 'exceptional heritage' value to the immediate area and within the wider Auckland region. While a master plan has been produced there is a need to adequately fund the activities that are considered in that master plan.
Economic Development	Investment into local economic development resources and activities.

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.



Ella Kumar
Chairperson
Mobile 021 285 2999
ella.kumar@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Fiona Lai
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 198 1361
fiona.lai@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Bobby Shen
Mobile 021 118 5832
bobby.shen@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Jon Turner
Mobile 021 190 3734
jon.turner@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Mark Pervan
Mobile 027 326 3149
mark.pervan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Roseanne Hay
Mobile 027 221 1496
roseanne.hay@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email Puketāpapalocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Puketāpapa Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Rodney

Rodney Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chairperson

Thank you to everyone who took the time to share feedback on Auckland Council's annual plan and Rodney's local priorities for 2025/2026. Your input helps shape what we do.

This year marks a significant milestone. The council's new '[fairer funding](#)' model for local boards allocates funding more fairly across the 21 local boards. This means we will have more money to invest in the services we provide for the Rodney community. This is a huge win for our communities.

Your feedback told us you value support for community-led environmental initiatives. In response, we will fund programmes for planting, pest control, park clean-ups, restoring streams, environmental education, alongside compliance work to protect our natural spaces and wildlife.

We also heard how important arts, youth programmes, and safe, welcoming community spaces are to you. We will invest funds to create more vibrant community spaces across towns and villages and to support a local team and volunteers to deliver events and neighbourhood programmes.

We will also increase funding for Kumeū and Helensville art centres and increase resources for community-led arts and culture initiatives across the wider-Rodney area.

Finally, we heard your concerns about the condition of parks and public spaces and the need for more recreational facilities. We will increase maintenance of our halls and public toilets, improve 'greenway' paths and tracks and provide more signage and rubbish bins.

We will also deliver a Rodney-wide programme of play and recreation opportunities for children, young people and whānau guided by our local 'play plan'. This will include developing Waterloo Park in Milldale, upgrading the multi-use courts at Wellsford Centennial Park and the courts and skate park at Muriwai Village Green.

We are proud of what's ahead and excited to deliver for Rodney.

Ngā mihi,



Brent Bailey

Chairperson Rodney Local Board

Rodney Local Board area

Rodney Local Board area makes up **46%** of the Auckland region's land mass

Rodney has a population of **77,949** and is expected to increase to **103,946** by 2050



LEGEND



Local board office



Local Board Subdivision Boundary



Public open space (Unitary Plan)



Motorway



Major road



Arterial road



Medium road



Minor road



We are home to more than **350** local parks, **5** libraries, **23** council-owned community halls. Rodney has more than **1500km** of coastline **37** towns and villages



Rodney Local Board Plan 2023

The Rodney 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people support each other, have what they need to live well and are able to adapt to change

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Our land, waterways and coastlines are cared for and protected.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our community facilities, libraries and parks are great places to connect, play and learn

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Our towns, villages and rural areas are vibrant, prosperous, and liveable

Tā Tātou Waka

Our transport

Our transport networks are safe, accessible, and well maintained

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.

The Rodney Local Board acknowledges Te Uri o Hau, Ngāti Manuhiri and Ngāti Whātua o Kaipara, as mana whenua of the rohe and commits to foster an environment that allows for meaningful engagement, understanding their priorities and nurturing enduring relationships.

To meet this commitment, the Rodney Local Board Plan 2023 seeks to achieve positive outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver positive Māori outcomes are those that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support 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
- taking opportunities to create a Māori identity in our parks and facilities by naming or renaming places in te reo and sharing stories about the area's heritage through 'interpretative' signage
- encouraging the use of mana whenua design features in parks and facilities like [Shoesmith Reserve](#) playground
- promoting the use of te reo Māori in places and spaces
- providing support to promote significant events like Waitangi Day and Matariki and encouraging stories of Māori culture and history through our network of local libraries
- funding a project celebrating Māori history and Māori zero-waste practices to provide a space where Māori will feel valued
- funding a project to support community-led conservation groups to learn about te ao Māori and grow their relationships with local mana whenua. We will deliver this project through cultural inductions provided by mana whenua representatives.

Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate

[The Rodney Local Board Transport Targeted Rate](#) (RLBTTR) was introduced mid-2018 to accelerate transport investment in the Rodney Local Board area. Ring-fenced for transport projects not included in the Regional Land Transport Plan, the RLBTTR supports and funds transport services identified as a priority by the Rodney community.

This \$150 per annum rateable property charge is projected to raise \$46 million over ten years to pay for new bus services and bus stops, park and ride facilities and footpaths.

Bus services: Since the targeted rate began, three bus services have been introduced (route 998, route 128 and route 126). Twenty new bus stops have been installed to support these new bus routes, several following specific requests from the community. A new one-way loop bus service (999 route) was launched in July 2024 to improve access to public transport for local commuters in Warkworth along with six new bus stops.

Footpaths project: Expanding the footpath network in and between towns and villages is a key priority for the local board and communities in Rodney to make it safer and easier for people to get around. Criteria for footpath funding includes footpaths situated on busy school routes, on well-used pedestrian routes and that link existing areas to new developments. Seven footpaths were recently completed in Warkworth and Wellsford with another one to be completed in Kumeū between October and December 2025.

Unsealed Road Improvement Programme: In November 2023, funding was approved for the [Unsealed Road Improvement Programme](#), from the targeted rate to help seal some roads in the Warkworth subdivision, with costs shared 50/50 by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency. Since then, six roads have been sealed.

Visit <https://at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/rodney-transport-targeted-rate/> for more information.

Rodney 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	\$24 million	\$1,4 million	\$672,000	\$1.3 million	\$27.2 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$8.3 million	-	-	-	\$8.3 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Rodney 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 \$24 million and capital investment of \$8.3 million.

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

- funding more community programmes and events delivered by a team of five local community organisers. They will work closely with local communities so our neighbourhoods are accessible, welcoming and alive with activity.
- increasing support for the creative arts sector with more funding for Kumeū and Helensville art centres to deliver arts programmes and workshops to the community. We will also provide more resourcing to increase community-led arts initiatives across other parts of Rodney
- using [our new play plan](#) to provide a Rodney-wide programme of recreation and play opportunities for children, young people and whānau in natural spaces, towns and villages through events, programmes and improving public spaces
- building two new car parks and improved pathways and planting at Huapai Domain
- increased maintenance at our halls, car parks, tracks and public toilets, and adding two new toilets at [Murray Jones Reserve](#) and Deacon Point in Riverhead
- upgrading the multi-use hard courts at [Wellsford Centennial Park](#) and the hard courts and skate park at the Muriwai Village Green.

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

- Our people: Our people support each other, have what they need to live well and are able to adapt to change
- Our community: Our community facilities, libraries and parks are great places to connect, play and learn.

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	287,679	269,000	263,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Percentage of local community facility components that are not in poor or very poor condition ²	New measure	83%	90%
Number of local community events delivered ³	New measure	12	14
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	20	20
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 ²	New measure	94%	90%

¹ The target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers. The target reflects a reduction in Warworth Library service due to relocation to temporary site

² The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model

³ 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 includes 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 \$672,000.

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

- delivering improvements to town centres and open space areas in the community and restoring the area's character
- creating lively and interesting community spaces, hubs and focal points in and around towns and villages in Rodney.

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Rodney Local Board Plan:

- Our people: Our people support each other, have what they need to live well and are able to adapt to change.
- Our Places: Our towns, villages and rural areas are vibrant, prosperous and liveable.

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	New measure	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 \$1.4 million.

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

- running programmes to support community and volunteer ecological and environmental initiatives like community planting, annual pest plant and animal control, local park clean-ups and community environmental education and events
- supporting the Forest Bridge Trust to engage and support existing landowners, community groups and other volunteers involved in conservation work like pest animal control and providing safe refuge for native wildlife
- funding two Rodney-focussed compliance wardens to carry out compliance activities that relate to the dog bylaw, general beach bylaws, freedom camping and in particular those that protect the environment and wildlife from harm
- supporting projects to restore our streams and improve the health of our waterways and surrounding environments. These projects will work to reduce nutrient and sediment contamination to improve water quality.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Rodney Local Board Plan:

- Our environment: Our land, waterways and coastlines are cared for and protected.

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 hectares actively controlling animal pests that are directly managed by coordinators supported by the local board ¹	New measure	8,850	12,800
Number of community groups supported in stream enhancement programmes ¹	New measure	1	4
Number of community groups supported to undertake waste initiatives	New measure	1	1

¹The 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 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 \$1.3 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Rodney 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	16,648	27,175
Targeted rates	332	347
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	9	9
Fees and charges	2,554	2,643
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	351	273
Total operating funding	19,894	30,448
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	15,205	24,815
Finance costs	2,203	2,179
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,339	3,299
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	19,747	30,293
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	147	155
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	10,011	8,168
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	10,011	8,168
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	2,997	436
- to improve the level of service	1,973	450
- to replace existing assets	5,188	7,436
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	10,159	8,322
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(147)	(155)
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
Advocate to the Governing Body for increased funding in the 10-year budget (long-term plan) for rural roads that are resilient including: • \$124 million for Auckland Transport’s Unsealed Roads Improvement Programme to improve unsealed roads through strengthening and other methods • an increase of funding, ringfenced for maintenance and renewals exclusively, that allows Auckland Transport to renew and maintain at least eight to nine per cent of Auckland’s roads in any given year as per Auckland Transport’s Asset Management Plan.
Advocate to the Governing Body to stop out of sequence developments and urban sprawl where the infrastructure pre-requisites identified in the Future Development Strategy are not provided
Advocate to the Governing Body to stop approving resource consents and fast track approvals on land with identified flood hazards and land instability, or alternatively that any future approvals include a condition of consent that council is not liable for buying out properties that experience land instability or flooding
Advocate to the Governing Body not to delay the full and permanent implementation of fairer funding for local boards as it addresses historical inequities, and any delays will continue to adversely impact our communities

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.



Brent Bailey
Chairperson
Mobile 021 730 892
brent.bailey@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Louise Johnston
Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 729 739
louise.johnston@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Colin Smith
Mobile 021 731 051
colin.smith@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Geoff Upson
Mobile 027 334 5062
geoff.upson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Guy Wishart
Mobile 027 334 1737
guy.wishart@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Ivan Wagstaff
Mobile 027 334 1317
ivan.wagstaff@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Mark Dennis
Mobile 027 334 4498
mark.dennis@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Michelle Carmichael
Mobile 027 334 6334
michelle.carmichael@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Tim Holdgate
Mobile 021 195 6366
tim.holdgate@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email rodneymlocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Rodney Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chairperson

On behalf of the Upper Harbour Local Board, I am pleased to share our local board agreement for the 2025/2026 financial year. This agreement outlines our plan for the upcoming year which reflects what we have heard from you – both through the development of the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2023, and in your recent submissions to the council's Annual Budget 2025/2026.

We know that many people are facing increasing financial pressures, and we want to acknowledge the challenges that come with the rising cost of living. As your local board, we're constantly working to find the right balance between delivering the services and improvements our community needs and managing a tight budget responsibly. During the annual plan consultation in February to March 2025 we received valuable feedback on our proposed priorities and were pleased to see strong community support for what we propose to deliver for the financial year. Some of these key priorities include:

- appropriate planning and investment for infrastructure and quality open space in areas impacted by growth and intensification e.g. Whenuapai
- continue to prioritise support to our local community organisations and volunteers to deliver outcomes that provide a sense of belonging, wellbeing and resilience for residents
- continue to prioritise investment in outcomes that ensure our communities has access to high-quality amenities that provide for a range of opportunities including play, pathways and connections, active sports and recreation and connecting with nature
- improve wayfinding in the Upper Harbour area to help our communities to easily discover and enjoy the wonderful assets we have
- contribute funding for the development of a vision and plan for the future of the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct.

We are making progress towards delivering a new multi-purpose library facility in Albany. We have invested in an initial Geotech assessment at the preferred location and have progressed with the development of a spatial design. We are investigating options to sell land to fund the expected budget shortfall and are committed to having further consultation with you on any proposals before making any major decisions.

We've also heard your feedback on matters outside of our direct decision-making role. We recognise our responsibility to advocate on your behalf regarding these matters. You can find our key advocacy initiatives for 2025/2026 in Appendix A of this local board agreement.

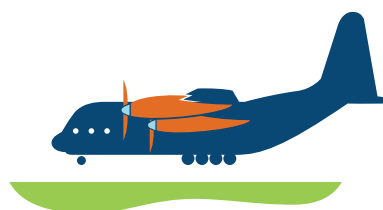
Despite ongoing budget constraints that limit our ability to fully meet our growing community needs, we remain committed to supporting a wide range of local outcomes and deeply value the contributions of residents, community groups and volunteers. We will keep working alongside you to make Upper Harbour a great place to live, work and play.

Ngā mihi,



Anna Atkinson
Chairperson Upper Harbour Local Board

Upper Harbour Local Board area



A population of **76,959** expected to increase to **101,544** by **2050**



The only local board area with an **operational Air Force base** (in Whenuapai)



LEGEND

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

We are home to more than **200** local parks and sports fields, **1** library, **1** pool and leisure centre and **3** council-owned community centres



Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2023

The Upper Harbour 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our goal is to create an inclusive and connected community, adapting to the changing needs of our growing diverse population and ensuring everyone has a voice in decisions that affect them.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Upper Harbour is an area with unique natural landscapes. We will continue to work alongside our volunteers and community to enhance and protect our natural environment.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our commitment is to provide access to well-maintained sports fields, parks, coastal amenities, and community facilities for everyone.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

With better planning and appropriate infrastructure, we aspire to create an area that allows our residents to easily connect between each other and within their neighbourhoods.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

We will continue to support our local businesses and communities to create a thriving, resilient and sustainable economy.

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. We are committed to developing meaningful relationships with Māori and acknowledge our existing relationship agreement with Ngāti Manuhiri. We welcome opportunities to work in partnership with Māori communities. Some of the key initiatives we propose include:

- Partner with mana whenua and mataawaka to deliver initiatives that support sharing Māori cultural knowledge and practices through storytelling projects and celebrating te reo Māori
- Work with mana whenua who have an interest in our area to respond to their aspirations
- Partner with mana whenua, mataawaka and community groups to restore te taiao (the environment), prepare for the effects of climate change and deliver initiatives that increase understanding of mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge)
- Support initiatives that provide access to business mentoring and work experience for young people including rangatahi Māori.

Upper Harbour 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	\$20.0 million	\$770,000	\$847,000	\$1.0 million	\$22.5 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$6.9 million	-	-	-	\$6.9 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Upper Harbour 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 \$20.0 million and capital investment of \$6.9 million.

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

- continue to progress work to deliver a new multi-purpose library facility in Albany
- develop a masterplan for Spedding/Trig Reserve and Brigham Creek Reserve in Whenuapai
- develop a walking and cycling guide for the Upper Harbour Local Board area
- implement actions from the Upper Harbour Ethnic Peoples Plan
- continue to invest in projects that improve the environment and address climate change including planting trees as set out in the Upper Harbour Urban Ngahere Strategy and continue to support and fund volunteer environmental work.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2023:

- **Ō Tātou Tāngata Our people:** Our goal is to create an inclusive and connected community, adapting to the changing needs of our growing diverse population and ensuring everyone has a voice in decisions that affect them.
- **Tō Tātou Taiao Our environment:** Upper Harbour is an area with unique natural landscapes. We will continue to work alongside our volunteers and community to enhance and protect our natural environment.
- **Tō Tātou Hapori Our community:** Our commitment is to provide access to well-maintained sports fields, parks, coastal amenities and community facilities for everyone.

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	124,962	122,000	136,000
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	543,000	694,000
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	86%	96%
Number of visits to library facilities ¹	124,962	122,000	136,000
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	25	25
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	8	8
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	85%	94%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ⁴	New measure	52	57

¹ The target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers. The cessation of Albany Village Library absorbing overflow visitors while Orewa was operating at a smaller location has been factored in.

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 includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$847,000.

The local board supports Business North Harbour Incorporated by endorsing a targeted rate for the Business Improvement District (BID) programme for inclusion in the Annual Budget 2025/2026.

The local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2023:

- Tā Tātou Ōhanga **Our Economy:** We will continue to support our local businesses and communities to create a thriving, resilient and sustainable economy.

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 \$770,000.

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

- Upper Harbour Ecology Initiatives Assistance programme
- Upper Harbour construction waste education and leadership programme
- Local Streams programme (Sustainable Schools)
- Restoration of the Waiarohia Stream
- Inanga spawning habitat restoration project
- Rosedale industrial engagement and monitoring programme
- Community cycling initiatives.

The local environmental management activity and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2023:

- Tō Tātou Taiao **Our environment:** Upper Harbour is an area with unique natural landscapes. We will continue to work alongside our volunteers and community to enhance and protect our natural environment.

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			
Volunteer time undertaking animal and/or plant pest control (hours) ¹	New measure	4,000	5,000
Rounds of pest control carried out in key areas ¹	New measure	127	20

¹ 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 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 \$1.0 million.

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

- implement actions from the Upper Harbour Local Board Engagement Strategy
- contribute funding to develop a vision and plan for the future of the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct (this work will be part funded by the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board).

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) (Auckland 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 Upper Harbour 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	17,310	20,452
Targeted rates	823	842
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	28	29
Fees and charges	3,581	3,555
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	131	126
Total operating funding	21,874	25,003
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	17,664	21,003
Finance costs	1,701	1,491
Internal charges and overheads applied	2,485	2,520
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	21,850	25,014
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	24	(11)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	13,180	6,922
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	13,180	6,922
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	8,261	805
- to improve the level of service	1,854	1,697
- to replace existing assets	3,090	4,410
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	13,204	6,911
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(24)	11
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
Library service provision in Albany	Request an increase to project funding for a fit-for-purpose library service in Albany. Request appropriate resource to support the ongoing discussions regarding service property optimisation for Upper Harbour.
Wasp Hangar, Hobsonville	Request that the Governing Body pause the sale of the Wasp Hangar and direct staff to investigate opportunities for community-use of the facility.
North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct – stage 2	Request regional support and resourcing contribution to deliver on stage 2 to develop a vision and plan for the future of North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct.
Te Kori Scott Point	Request growth funding to complete the delivery of the Te Kori Scott Point masterplan noting this is a project specified in the Long-term Plan 2024–2034. However, stages 2 and 3 remain unfunded.
Fairer Funding implementation – cost pressures	Request a slower or different transition to fairer funding for local boards in relation to managing cost pressures for 2026/2027 noting that in order for local boards to fund future cost pressures we require support with fit for purpose and high-quality advice from Staff
Planning and investment to respond to growth and intensification	Request appropriate planning and investment for infrastructure and quality open space in areas impacted by growth and intensification e.g Whenuapai, Hobsonville and Albany.

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.



Anna Atkinson

Chairperson

Mobile 027 334 7665

Anna.Atkinson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Uzra Casuri Balouch

Deputy Chairperson

Mobile 021 503 279

Uzra.Balouch@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Callum Blair

Mobile 027 334 9398

Callum.Blair@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



John McLean

Mobile 027 334 5731

John.McLean@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Kyle Parker

Mobile 027 334 0645

Kyle.Parker@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Sylvia Yang

Mobile 027 334 2705

Sylvia.Yang@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email upperharbourlocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Upper Harbour Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Waiheke

Waiheke Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Kia ora koutou,

Waiheke Local Board's priorities for 2025/2026 are based on the Local Board Plan 2023 which provides the vision and framework for local board decisions.

Waiheke is at a crossroads with changing demographics, cost-of-living increases and a shortage of affordable housing. Critical decision-making locally, regionally and nationally will depend on hard data to inform our collective direction for the next decade.

We will survey all residents as part of a wider research project. This will include Waiheke's carrying capacity including sustainability of our ground water sources, visitor numbers and their impacts, and consider economic diversification opportunities.

We will continue to support community initiatives including volunteer work, arts and culture, recreation, events, youth outcomes and strategic housing initiatives.

We will add a new playground and 'flying fox' at Tawaipareira Reserve, replace the Rakino Hall (depending on the outcome of the current consent process). We will also re-start our track renewals programme.

Development of concept plans for a new community swimming pool are underway, coordinated by the Waiheke Pool Society. Once these plans are complete, we will have a better idea of building and running costs. We will then need to consider options for how to fund the pool and if this is still a priority for our community.

We will update and prioritise actions for our Climate Action Plan and continue our ecological restoration and pest management commitments. We will also start to deliver recommended actions from the recently approved Rangihoua Reserve Onetangi Sports Park Management.

Waiheke's rich cultural history is paramount. We will continue to build the relationship with Ngāti Pāoa and work with other mana whenua to help support their aspirations.

We will continue to advocate to the Governing Body and central government for affordable and equitable ferry services, stormwater management, marine protection and fairer funding.

We will advocate for control of all council assets on the motu to support best use, and to raise capital for community projects.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi,

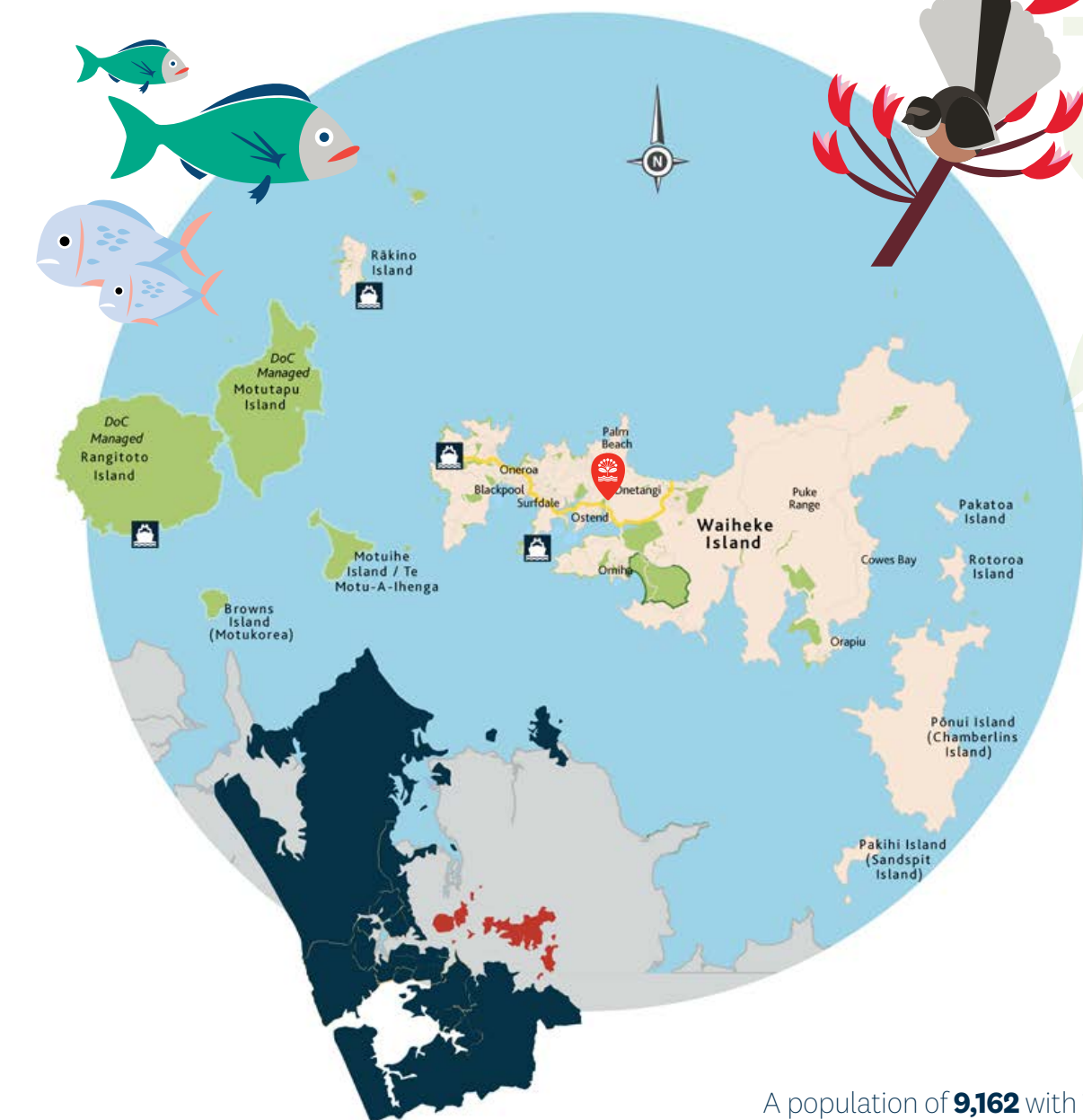


Cath Handley

Chair Waiheke Local Board

Waiheke Local Board area

We are home to **100** parks and reserves, the Te Ara Hura **100** kilometre round-island walking track and the Whakanewha Regional Park with **270** hectares of bush, forest, beach and wetlands



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space
(Unitary Plan)

Arterial road

Medium road

Waiheke Island is **19km long** with a surface area of 92km² and 133km of coastline and is home to the **Te Matuku Marine Reserve**

A population of **9,162** with 13% of residents under 15 and 24% 65 years and over



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

Waiheke Local Board Plan 2023

The Waiheke 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Waiheke residents have a strong sense of identity, connectedness and wellbeing which is enhanced through active community participation.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

We want to protect, maintain and enhance our unique islands' land, coastline, bush, wetland and marine environments for future generations.

Ō Tātou Waihanga me ō Tātou pākihi

Our facilities and open spaces

Our parks, reserves and beaches are enjoyed, respected and actively cared for by residents and visitors. Our community, arts and cultural facilities are well-used and accessible.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

The special character and values of Waiheke and inner Gulf islands are protected and enhanced in line with the draft Waiheke Area Plan and principles of 'Essentially Waiheke'.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our Waiheke community has a strong, independent, entrepreneurial spirit and our natural taonga are protected and support sustainability and appropriate economic activities.

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 Waiheke Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate 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
- working with iwi on initiatives that align with Māori aspirations such as environmental programmes and projects to improve water quality
- working with mana whenua and mātāwaka to identify and respond to the needs and aspirations of local Māori with Māori-led initiatives that support social and economic outcomes
- encourage use of mana whenua design features in parks and facilities
- provide support for culturally significant events.

Waiheke 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	\$6.4 million	\$421,000	-	\$879,000	\$7.7 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$3.2 million	-	-	-	\$3.2 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Waiheke Local Board 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 a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$6.4 million and capital investment of \$3.2 million.

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

- deliver council open space and community facility services, such as mowing, track and facility maintenance
- continue initiatives that help the community become more resilience and connected, including preparing for and recovering from emergencies
- support community-led programmes in areas such as housing, sustainability and youth
- provide opportunities for locals and visitors to experience local arts, culture and events
- progress recommended actions within the Rangihoua Reserve Onetangi Sports Park Reserve Management Plan
- deliver capital projects including the Tawaipareira Reserve playground and flying fox and replacing Rakino Hall.

The local community services and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Waiheke Local Board Plan:

- Outcome One: Ō Tātou Tāngata - Our people
- Outcome Three: Ō Tātou Waihanga me ō Tātou pākihi - Our facilities and open spaces
- Outcome Four: Ō Tātou Wāhi - Our places
- Outcome Five: Tā Tātou Ōhanga - Our economy

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	125,299	110,000	110,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition ¹	New measure	85%	96%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New measure	7	7
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	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 ¹	New measure	98%	94%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ²	New measure	15	14

¹The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration Model.

² Target has changed compared to prior year due to changes in the local board's investment allocation to their priorities through the annual work programme.

Local planning and development

Local planning and development activities includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive. There are no key initiatives planned for 2025/2026.

Levels of service and key performance measures

There **are** no performance measures for this activity.

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 \$421,000.

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

- continue programmes that protect, restore and enhance the island's natural environment
- work with our community and businesses to progress actions set out in the Waiheke Island Climate Action Plan
- encourage our community to reuse, repair and recycle materials to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills.

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

- Outcome Two: Tō Tātou Taiao - Our environment
- Outcome Three: Ō Tātou Waihanga me ō Tātou pākihi - Our facilities and open spaces
- Outcome Four: Ō Tātou Wāhi - Our place

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 participants in sustainable initiative programmes	New measure	185	185
Number of community groups supported in stream enhancement programmes ³	New measure	1	1

³The local board supports community groups and individuals to enhance waterways within the Local Community Services activity which contributes to stream enhancement outcomes. These programmes are outside the scope of this performance measure.

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 \$879,000.

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	Set baseline	Set baseline

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Waiheke 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	7,166	8,598
Targeted rates	0	0
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2	2
Fees and charges	42	43
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	53	116
Total operating funding	7,263	8,760
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	5,694	7,011
Finance costs	629	697
Internal charges and overheads applied	935	1,062
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	7,258	8,770
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	5	(10)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	1,110	3,202
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	1,110	3,202
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	132	71
- to improve the level of service	271	95
- to replace existing assets	72	3,026
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	1,115	3,192
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(5)	10
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
Planning resource	The local board seeks planning resource to review and finalise the draft Waiheke Area Plan and review the Hauraki Gulf Island District Plan provisions before the Auckland Unitary Plan review.
Marine Protection	The board will continue to work with relevant authorities, partners, and mana whenua on marine initiatives, and advocate for implementation of marine protection and regeneration strategies, specifically more investment in Caulerpa control in association with central government.
Stormwater Management	Apply effective flood control with nature-based solutions, proactive stormwater maintenance and necessary capital investment.
Equitable and affordable public transport	Passenger ferry services from Mātīatia and Kennedy Point wharves must be equitably subsidised, to align with all other public transport ferry services in the region. This will ensure community resilience, equity and affordability. There also needs to be opportunity for other operators to provide transport infrastructure and services.
Fairer Funding	Request the council review the fairer funding formula for Waiheke to ensure an equitable basis for council-funded infrastructure and assets.

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.



Cath Handley

Chairperson
Mobile 021 194 1787
cath.handley@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Bianca Ranson

bianca.ranson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Kylee Matthews

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 042 2801
kylee.matthew@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Paul Walden

paul.walden@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Robin Tucker

Mobile 027 974 5540
robin.tucker@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email waihekelocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Waiheke Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

In February and March of this year, Auckland Council consulted on the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026, and as part of this we asked for feedback on our suggested priorities for the Waitākere Ranges. The Board received a range of submissions and feedback from individuals and organisations, and I would like to thank the local community for providing these. Your feedback is invaluable and will inform our decision-making over the next few months, during which we be formalising next year's work programme. As part of this process, the Local Board Agreement for 2025/2026 sets out the Waitākere Ranges Local Board's key initiatives for the next financial year.

In the recent past, the Board has been in the challenging position of having to balance maintaining funding for important activities with cost savings. We are conscious that we have been very frugal in recent years with our community, arts and environmental partners, but this year we hope to be able to improve our support for them. With the introduction of 'fairer funding', which addresses historical funding equity issues between the 21 local boards of Auckland Council, we are now in a position to improve what we can achieve for the local area. We are very conscious of the good arts and environmental programmes achieve and we want to make sure that our community's future ability to contribute is not compromised.

This year we are also intending to improve the quality of our local parks, liven-up Glen Eden town centre and continue to work in collaboration with the local community to help protect and restore the Waitākere Ranges. We will continue to advocate for increased funding to Regional Parks, Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area projects, and Te Kawerau ā Maki's plans to construct a marae at Te Henga, amongst other issues of significance.

I wish to thank you for your ongoing work which contributes immensely to protecting and enhancing the Waitākere Ranges.

Ngā mihi,



Greg Presland

Chair Waitākere Ranges Local Board

Waitākere Ranges Local Board area

Waitākere Ranges is home to Waikumete Cemetery – the largest cemetery in New Zealand with more than **90,000** graves

Waitākere Ranges has nearly **20% of all native vegetation** in the Auckland Region and is home to **8** types of threatened native plants

The Waitākere Ranges includes vibrant town and village centres of **Glen Eden, Swanson and Titirangi**



LEGEND

	Local board office
	Public open space (Unitary Plan)
	Railway
	Arterial road
	Medium road
	Minor road
	Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area (WRHA) boundary

We are home to:

The **Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area** – the only part of mainland Auckland to have its own legislation.

More than **200 local** parks and sports fields, from tiny pocket parks to Parrs Park in Oratia, winner of two international Green Flag quality marks for parks and green spaces

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



Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan 2023

The Waitākere Ranges 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our People

Our distinctive and diverse communities are thriving, resilient and adaptable. People are connected, feel a sense of belonging and work together to support wellbeing.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our Environment

Biodiversity is enhanced, significant ecological areas are protected and restored as a sanctuary for native plants and wildlife. Our people are connected to and care for the environment. The mauri of our freshwater streams, the Manukau Harbour and west coast lagoons and wetlands are restored.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our Community

Parks, facilities and services are accessible and meet the needs of our diverse urban and rural communities. Arts, culture and creativity are a celebrated part of living in the west. Māori culture and identity are visible and valued.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our Places

We have thriving town and village centres, connected by a reliable, resilient and sustainable transport network. The Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area is protected and restored for current and future generations. The relationship with Te Kawerau ā Maki and Ngāti Whātua is acknowledged.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our Economy

Sustainable local economic activity is supported. Our business centres are active and successful. Home-based businesses and innovation are fostered. Opportunities for rural activities continue.

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 this local board. 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 Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- supporting the progression of a Deed of Acknowledgement to formally acknowledge Te Kawerau ā Maki and Ngāti Whātua's special relationship to the Waitākere Ranges
- strengthening our relationships with mātāwaka and mana whenua partners, namely Hoani Waititi Marae and Te Kawerau ā Maki
- taking opportunities to establish a Māori identity in our parks and facilities through naming or renaming places and sharing stories about the area's heritage with 'interpretative' signage
- supporting Te Kawerau ā Maki in the development of Te Henga Marae and Papakainga
- funding or supporting events and activities that promote Māori culture and identity, like Matariki.

Waitākere Ranges 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	\$11.9 million	\$1.6 million ¹	\$160,000	\$747,000	\$14.6 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$4.8 million	-	-	-	\$4.8 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Waitākere Ranges 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 \$11.9 million and capital investment of \$4.8 million.

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

- continue to fund community arts partners to deliver a wide programme of arts activities and events, and increase support for select partners to generate greater economic and cultural benefits for the local area
- fund and deliver tailored programmes to serve diverse communities (young people, older adults, Pacific peoples and ethnic communities)
- support community development, improve our public spaces and deliver programmes and events in our growing neighbourhoods and centres like Glen Eden, Sunnyvale and Swanson
- continue to fund and support Glen Eden and Titirangi community houses and their activities
- improve neighbourhood parks, like Tautoru / Maywood Park and Sandys Parade with projects like the Swanson Station Park skate park refurbishment and options to develop Waitipu / Te Henga Quarry and Swanson Scenic Reserve
- refurbish Titirangi War Memorial Hall and library, including renewing the roof and cladding, earthquake-related strengthening work and interior refurbishment works such as reflooring and painting.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan:

- people from our diverse communities are connected and feel as though they belong
- our libraries and facilities provide engaging spaces at the heart of the community

¹ This figure includes approximately \$970,000 for implementing the Septic Tank pump out programme

- a network of vibrant arts and culture organisations, facilities and events that enliven the west
- our parks and open spaces provide opportunities for recreation and enjoyment by the surrounding local communities, and a place for nature.

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 ³	203,841	197,000	125,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition ⁴	New measure	80%	92%
Number of local community events delivered ⁵	New measure	15	11
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	50	50
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 ⁴	New measure	94%	87%

³Titirangi Library is planned to close for refurbishment in 2025/2026 and this has been reflected in a reduced 2025/2026 target.

⁴ The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model

⁵The 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 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 \$1.6 million².

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- fund environmental programmes to help protect and restore the Waitākere Ranges, especially as the area is still affected by the 2023 storms
- continue supporting programmes and community work focused on planting and managing pest plants and animals; in 2024/2025, over 5000 volunteer hours contributed to ecological work in local parks and regional parks and we aim to build on this throughout 2025/2026
- fund a programme that supports impactful community-led climate actions, including new funding for the Kai West collective and their work towards building a more sustainable food system in West Auckland

² This figure includes approximately \$970,000 for implementing the Septic Tank pump out programme

- continue to support a range of activities through the Heritage Area budget, including the Waitākere Ranges Welcome Pack, the long-tailed bat (pekapeka) community education project and providing community weed bins
- celebrate members of the community who take environmental action in the Waitākere Ranges.

These local environmental management activities and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan:

- ecosystems are protected, restored and enhanced in the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area
- natural areas on parks are protected, restored and enhanced
- our parks and open spaces provide opportunities for recreation and enjoyment by the surrounding local communities, and a place for nature
- we understand climate change risks, take action to reduce our climate impact, and are prepared to adapt and respond to future events.

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 properties visited for plant pest control.	New measure	150	150

Local planning and development

Local planning and development activities includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$111,000.

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

- continue to help business associations and ongoing economic growth by supporting Glen Eden Business Association, developing our town centres and setting up the Titirangi Business Association
- continue to develop and implement the Glen Eden Community-led Plan to help make Glen Eden a safe, attractive, welcoming and inclusive place
- progress work towards achieving Dark Sky accreditation for parts of the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area.

These local planning and development activities, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan:

- thriving, sustainable villages that people take pride in
- a successful and resilient Glen Eden Business Improvement District
- people from our diverse communities are connected and feel as though they belong
- sustainable economic activity that supports people, places and the natural environment.

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 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 \$707,000.

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) (Auckland 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 Waitākere Ranges 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	12,259	15,062
Targeted rates	103	111
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	11	12
Fees and charges	115	71
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	481	444
Total operating funding	12,970	15,700
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	10,593	13,188
Finance costs	1,000	1,080
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,369	1,450
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	12,962	15,718
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	8	(18)
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	2,331	4,864
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	2,331	4,864
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	730	267
- to improve the level of service	266	156
- to replace existing assets	1,343	4,422
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	2,339	4,846
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(8)	18
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 initiatives that the local board advocated for as part of the annual plan were:

Initiative	Description
Regional Parks	The Waitākere Ranges Local Board tono / request the Governing Body allocates: • \$9.8 million of new funding to repair damage to the tracks from the 2023 cyclone in the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park • funding to complete the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park recreation plan, including a track plan.
Bus services to outer area	Tono / request that Auckland Transport sets up a trial public transport service with small bus shuttle services to Piha and Karekare, Te Henga and Huia.
Waitākere Ranges Heritage area	Tono / request that the Governing Body allocates additional funding for Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area projects to better enable the council to meet its obligations under the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Act (WRHAA).
Glen Eden town centre	Tono / request that the Governing Body prioritises the planning and delivery of Glen Eden town centre regeneration, noting the context of Eke Panuku's restructure.
Level crossings	Tono / request that the Governing Body allocates additional funding to plan for the impacts of the City Rail Link and the higher frequency of services that require the removal of rail level crossings. This would help the west fully benefit from City Rail Link, while better managing impacts on our roads.
Te Kawerau ā Maki marae	Akiaki / urge that the Governing Body provides significant support for Te Kawerau ā Maki's plans to construct a marae at Te Henga, noting that Te Kawerau ā Maki is the only local iwi without a marae.
Water safety	Tono / request the Governing Body: • increases funding (via the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding) to extend the hours and season for surf lifesaving patrols on west coast beaches • adopts the Manukau Harbour water safety programme, developed by regional parks.
Local economic development plan	Tono / request that the Governing Body supports additional resources for local boards to plan and deliver local economic development especially in Glen Eden.

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.

**Greg Presland**

Chairperson
Mobile 021 998 411
Greg.Presland@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Michelle Clayton**

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 027 575 3102
Michelle.Clayton@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Linda Potauaine**

Mobile 027 332 0262
Linda.Potauaine@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Liz Manley**

Mobile 027 279 2704
Liz.Manley@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Mark Allen**

Mobile 021 378 791
Mark.Allen@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**Sandra Coney**

Mobile 021 446 370
Sandra.Coney@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email waitakererangeslocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Waitākere Ranges Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback on our draft annual plan consultation material for 2025/2026. We're pleased to now present the Waitematā Local Board Agreement, as part of Auckland Council's Annual Budget for the coming year.

It was encouraging to see that 80 per cent of submitters supported all or most of our proposed priorities. Your support reassures us that we're on the right path and helps shape the direction of our work.

In 2025/2026, we remain committed to strengthening community wellbeing and protecting our environment. We're enhancing our activations programme to bring more opportunities for play, recreation, and community connection in our parks and open spaces. Public safety continues to be a priority, with funding for initiatives in the city centre and fringe town centres. We'll also support local and community-led events such as the Parnell Festival of Roses and civic celebrations.

Key projects include the continued restoration of the Leys Institute and investment in environmental initiatives—such as stream restoration, riparian planting, pest control, waste minimisation, and biodiversity enhancement. We're continuing our support for the Queen's Wharf Bike Hub and the Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre.

We're advocating for the regeneration of the Uptown precinct, and regional funding for key shared facilities like Tepid Baths and the Central Library. We'll also keep pushing for better housing solutions, including affordable and pensioner housing.

We remain committed to Māori outcomes by:

- Supporting rangatahi Māori leadership as part of continuing youth action and engagement, in areas such as Newmarket, City Centre, and Newton & Karangahape Road
- Enhancing the mauri of our streams through riparian planting
- Partnering with mana whenua on naming and storytelling for parks and places, including Te Rimutahi (254 Ponsonby Civic Space)

These key initiatives reflect our commitment to the aspirations of the Waitematā Local Board Plan 2023. Through collaboration and shared purpose, we will continue to build strong, inclusive, and resilient communities.

Thank you for having your say.



Genevieve Sage

Chair Waitematā Local Board

Waitematā Local Board area

A population of **81,546** ranking it 10th in population size in Auckland's 21 local board areas



100,000 people commute to the city centre

53% of commuters use public transport, cycling or walking



LEGEND



Waitematā Local Board Office



Public open space (Unitary Plan)



Railway station



Railway



Motorway



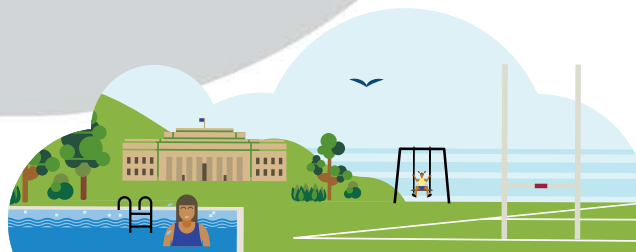
Major road



Arterial road



Medium road



Waitematā has **104** parks, **8** community places, **4** libraries and **5** pools



Data sources: Council Growth model i11v6 (August 2020). Statistics New Zealand 2018 Census. Council Growth Scenario AGS23v1 (Feb 2024), StatsNZ Census 2023 (initial release May 2024)

Waitematā Local Board Plan 2023

The Waitematā 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

All our people are thriving and have what they need to live a good life.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our environment

Our built and natural environment is resilient to natural hazards and the effects of climate change. Our natural environment is rich in biodiversity and provides clean waterways.

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our community is resilient and have places and activities to connect and foster a sense of belonging.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

Waitematā is a great place to live, work, learn and play. Our neighbourhoods are well designed to be sustainable, well-connected and celebrate our heritage and unique identities.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our city centre and fringe town centres are thriving and support a resilient diverse economy that embraces new opportunities and drives prosperity.

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 Waitematā Local Board Plan wants to achieve positive outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that achieve positive Māori outcomes are those that support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori wellbeing and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the 'Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework. Examples of this include:

- progressing the recommendations from our Waitematā Youth Deliberative Democracy Pilot and responding to the identified needs and aspirations of rangatahi Māori by supporting 'youth voice' and leadership programmes.
- restoring streams and planting native trees, plants and grasses on the banks of the streams to improve the mauri of our waterways, for example at Waititiko, Waipāruru, and Waipapa streams.
- Māori naming (and associated storytelling) of parks and places in partnership with mana whenua, such as at our new civic space in Ponsonby, Te Rimutahi.

Waitematā 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	\$26.8 million	\$292,000	\$10.9 million	\$1.2 million	\$39.2 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$9.9 million	-	-	-	\$9.9 million

Key activity areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Waitematā 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 \$27.0 million and capital investment of \$9.9 million.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- improve the events & activations programme for our parks and open spaces to provide opportunities for play and recreation
- fund safety programmes in the city centre and our local town centres to:
 - further support regional and national funding
 - help create positive public places and improve community wellbeing
- support community and council-led events, including Parnell Festival of Roses, and our event partners such as Grey Lynn Festival
- continue restoration and earthquake-related strengthening works at Leys Institute
- deliver footpath improvements in Auckland Domain
- deliver the Heard Park civic space upgrade
- continue our support for reducing homelessness in Waitematā
- transition Freeman's Bay Hall into a community-led centre
- continued support for delivery on the recommendations of the Youth Deliberative Democracy Pilot including programmes and spaces for youth action and engagement, in areas such as Newmarket, City Centre, and Newton & Karangahape Road.

The local community services and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the [Waitematā Local Board Plan 2023](#):

- Outcome: Our parks and open spaces are well-used and safe
- Outcome: Connect our communities, through community activities, creative arts, sports and events

- Outcome: Quality city centre and urban neighbourhoods that are resilient and sustainable
- Outcome: Our network of facilities and services deliver for our current and future communities.

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			
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community ⁵	New measure	100%	100%
Number of visits to library facilities	810,965	720,000	720,000
Percentage of time main Pool and Leisure Centre services are accessible to the community ⁵	New measure	95%	96%
Number of visits to Pool and Leisure Centres ¹	New measure	521,000	566,000
Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition ²	New measure	80%	89%
Number of local community events delivered ⁴	New measure	5	5
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New measure	16	16
Provide urban green spaces (local parks, paths and Ngahere) and access to the coast			
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ³	New measure	73	82
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 ²	New measure	95%	92%

¹There are no intended service level changes to pools and leisure centres, the target has been reviewed and set against forecasted 2024/2025 visitation numbers.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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

⁴Community events include council delivered events and those funded through the events partnership fund

⁵The target is calculated as a percentage of actual time open compared to advertised opening hours

Local planning and development

Local planning and development 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 \$10.9 million.

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

- support a new Business Improvement District (BID) and associated targeted rate in Grey Lynn
- continue to develop the Local Parks Omnibus Management Plan to ensure all our parks and open spaces have guiding principles on their use and management
- renew the interior and exterior of [Ewelme Cottage](#) in Parnell to preserve and protect its heritage values

- continue to support actions from our [Emergency Response & Readiness Plan](#), including support for the establishment of community emergency hubs

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the [Waitematā Local Board Plan 2023](#):

- Outcome: Successful and resilient Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) and business associations.
- Outcome: The character and heritage of our neighbourhoods is valued and conserved within our urban landscapes.
- Outcome: Our parks and open spaces are well-used and safe.

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 \$292,000.

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

- restore streams and plant native trees, plants and grasses to improve the quality of our waterways, such as for Waitītiko, Waipāruru, Waipapa, and Newmarket/Middleton streams
- support our community & school volunteers working on planting, pest control and biodiversity projects
- continue to support management of the bike hub at Queen's Wharf
- continue to support [Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre](#)
- deliver sustainability initiatives that reduce emissions such as year two of our [Construction Waste](#) reduction programme in partnership with the building sector

These local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcomes in the [Waitematā Local Board Plan 2023](#):

- Outcome: Improve our water quality and air quality, and clean our waterways
- Outcome: Preserve, protect, and enhance biodiversity across Waitematā
- Outcome: Our network of facilities and services deliver for our current and future communities
- Outcome: Transport choices and connected neighbourhoods.

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 participants in sustainable initiative programmes	New measure	8,680	9,200
Number of planting events for biodiversity enhancement	New measure	10	10

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 \$1.2 million.

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) (Auckland 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 Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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	24,437	28,212
Targeted rates	10,203	10,849
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	36	36
Fees and charges	2,773	2,355
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	397	1,023
Total operating funding	37,846	42,474
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	32,155	36,966
Finance costs	1,945	2,136
Internal charges and overheads applied	3,311	3,350
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	37,411	42,452
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	435	22
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	10,258	9,906
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	10,258	9,906
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	357	921
- to improve the level of service	4,795	1,268
- to replace existing assets	5,542	7,740
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	10,693	9,928
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(435)	(22)
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
Urban Regeneration of Uptown Precinct	We advocate to continue improving and renewing the Uptown Precinct, the Maungawhau station surrounds and wider urban area to ensure we maximise opportunities for business, housing, recreation and liveable communities for everyone when the City Rail Link (CRL) opens. We urge Auckland Transport, Auckland Council and all partners to ensure this for our residents, businesses and visitors.
Regional and Sub-Regional Community Facilities	We advocate for the investigation and identification of appropriate major community facilities such as aquatics, and libraries, to become partly or fully regionally funded, such as the Tepid Baths, Parnell Baths, and the Central Library. We note their broad benefits to communities and users beyond their respective local board area although they are maintained at significant cost to Waitematā Local Board, and that these cost pressures are expected to increase through 2026/2027 and beyond. We appreciate the decision of the Governing Body to restore and modernise the Leys Institute, and urge progress of physical works as soon as possible
City Centre and fringe town centre public safety	We advocate to continue adequate resourcing and funding for initiatives outlined in the City Centre Community Safety Plan for our city centre and local town centres that: • improve safety • reduce antisocial behaviour • help people feel safer • contribute to positive public spaces in the city centre.
Reducing homelessness and improving provision of adequate housing	We advocate for continued efforts at reducing and managing homelessness to ensure homelessness becomes rare, brief and non-recurring. We further advocate for improved provision of affordable, adequate housing, for example by: • increasing the amount of pensioner housing provided by Haumaru, including in the Auckland Isthmus • facilitating through loan guarantees and expedited regulatory approvals, greater provision of affordable housing by iwi and by community and private housing providers.

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.



Genevieve Sage

Chairperson
Mobile 027 368 2663
Genevieve.Sage@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Greg Moyle

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 09 309 3680
Greg.Moyle@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Alexandra Bonham

Mobile 021 643 575
Alexandra.Bonham@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Allan Matson

Mobile 027 263 3749
Allan.Matson@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Anahera Rawiri

Mobile 027 288 7441
Anahera.Rawiri@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Richard Northey

Mobile 021 534 546
Richard.Northey@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Sarah Trotman

Mobile 021 487 583
Sarah.Trotman@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email WaitemataLocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Waitematā Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules:
www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Whau

Whau Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

As chair of the Whau Local Board, I am proud to present the 2025/2026 Local Board Agreement, which sets out the board's priorities and intentions for the coming year.

Whau Local Board now has the opportunity to better-respond to the needs of our local communities, because Auckland Council is introducing a 'fairer funding' approach to address historical funding imbalances between the 21 local boards.

In the past year, the board has had the pleasure of seeing progress on two long-standing key initiatives. First, our ongoing advocacy for a Whau aquatic centre led to the Planning, Environment and Parks Committee committing more than \$89 million over the next few years to buy a suitable site and develop a business case for the centre. The board aims to speed-up the process this year by allocating funding for site selection. Secondly, Te Hono, a new community facility, is slowly springing to life in the heart of Avondale.

We also approved the Auckland Emergency Management work programme which helps to ensure the Whau community is better-prepared to respond to the impacts of future weather events.

For the coming year we aim to deliver better environmental outcomes through working with the community, local businesses and organisations to care for our parks, open spaces and waterways. We will continue to advocate to buy land at the Avondale Racecourse to retain significant green space. As well as providing additional support for our rangitahi, we will deliver more free and easily accessible events and activities in our libraries, community centres, hubs, houses, parks and green spaces.

I encourage you to get out of your cars and on your own, or with family or friends, enjoy the paths and walkways that we continue to develop. These connect different corners of the Whau and often bring you closer to the Whau River – a jewel in our area that we are striving to improve.

Ngā mihi,



Kay Thomas

Chair Whau Local Board

Whau Local Board area

A diverse population with:

11% identified as Māori

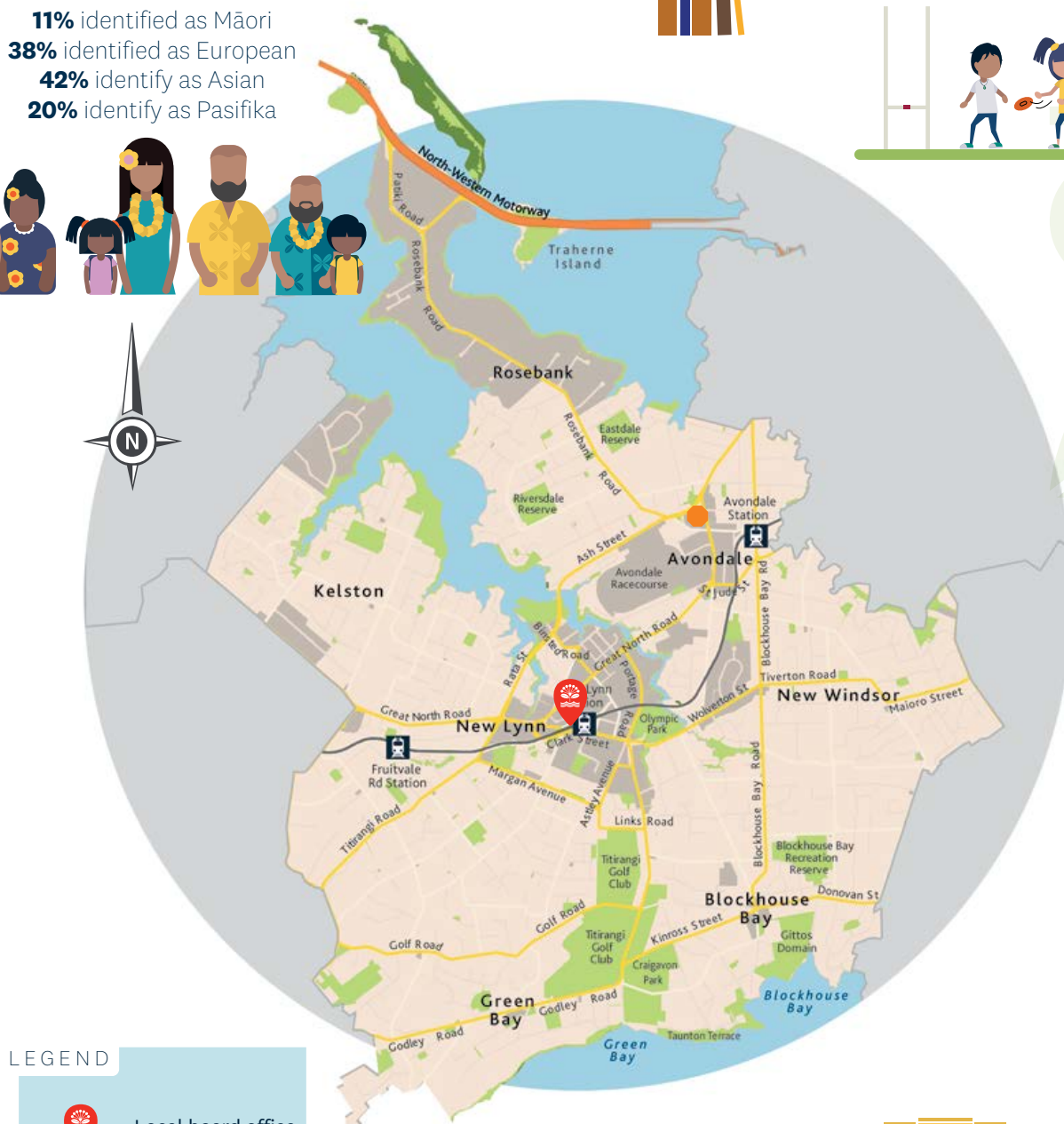
38% identified as European

42% identify as Asian

20% identify as Pasifika



We are home to more than **80** local parks and **3** libraries



LEGEND



Local board office



Public open space
(Unitary Plan)



Motorway



Major road



Arterial road



Medium road



Minor road



Te Hono

Includes the major town centres of **Avondale** and **New Lynn**



Whau Local Board Plan 2023

The Whau 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:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our People

Our diverse communities are supported, represented, respected, empowered, and able to thrive. Everyone can engage with local democracy to influence what happens in their neighbourhood and contribute to a collective west Auckland identity and voice.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our Environment

Our natural environment is protected by proactively working with our communities to achieve sustainability goals and build resilience. Individuals understand the need to adapt to a changing climate and take action to include sustainable practices in their daily lives.

Tō Tātou Hāpori

Our Community

Accessible, inclusive facilities and services are provided in collaboration with our communities to enrich people's lives at all stages and foster a sense of belonging. Individuals are aware of what is available to them, face fewer barriers to participation, and feel connected and supported.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our Places

Our communities are physically and socially connected. People feel safe, have a sense of ownership and pride, and enjoy spending time in our town centres, neighbourhood centres, parks, and open spaces.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our Economy

Our local economy is strengthened through partnership and by collaborating on initiatives that encourage our communities to shop and work locally. We bolster economic prosperity through connecting with key local industry sectors.

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

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

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.

In the heart of the Whau is the historical Māori portage route between Waitematā and Manukau Harbours via the Whau River. Several areas within Whau have mahara tapu (sacred memory) and significance for Māori throughout Tāmaki Makaurau. While Te Kawerau ā Maki and Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei are mana whenua of the area, several other iwi and hapū have historic ties to the land.

We aim to achieve positive outcomes for Māori with initiatives that support Māori identity and culture, improve Māori wellbeing and support Māori to take part in local decision-making. These outcomes are identified in the Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau (now Tāmaki Ora) framework.

Initiatives in the Whau include:

- building relationships with mana whenua through the rangatira-ki-te-rangatira / chief to chief (governance) hui with Te Kawerau ā Maki and Whau, Waitākere Ranges and Henderson-Massey local boards
- working with Community Waitakere and Ko Taku Reo (Deaf Education NZ) management to find ways to deliver wananga, or place of learning, for deaf rangatahi (young people) and their whānau
- taking opportunities to create a Māori identity in our parks and facilities through actions such as:
 - dual naming or renaming places
 - using 'interpretive' signage to share stories about the area's heritage
- providing opportunities for our communities to attend Te Ao Māori and Te Reo Māori classes, at our libraries and community hubs and houses including activities such as:
 - cooking and hangi lessons
 - Rongoa Māori/herbal healing classes
 - weaving classes
 - education on marae protocols and tikanga Māori
- encouraging the use of Mana Whenua design features in parks and facilities
- providing support for culturally significant events like Matariki.

Whau 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	\$19.6 million	\$445,000	\$1.0 million	\$1.4 million	\$22.4 million
Planned capital spend 2025/2026	\$23.8 million	-	-	-	\$23.8 million

Key activities areas

Funding priorities, key activities, key initiatives and key performance measures in the Whau 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 a services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$19.6 million and capital investment of \$23.8 million.

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

- Fund a community arts broker to develop strategic relationships and contacts within the creative community, resulting in exhibitions, plays, workshops etc, in different locations across the Whau
- support community-led arts activity including temporary street projects, events, programmes and activities
- fund a youth coordinator to support the Whau Youth Board and increase the number of youth-led activities – with more youth participation in varied events like finance workshops, music competitions, beach tidy-ups in the Whau
- provide opportunities for our diverse communities to connect, learn and take part in social, cultural, creative and literacy activities in welcoming, safe and inclusive environments like our libraries, art centres and community venues and centres, like:
 - Avondale and New Lynn Community Centres
 - Avondale, Blockhouse Bay and New Lynn libraries and hubs
 - community houses in Blockhouse Bay, Glenavon, Kelston, New Windsor and Green Bay
- fund the Out and About Activation programme to enable and coordinate a range of free activities to encourage our local community to be physically active
- fund the Whau Migrant Community Conservation Volunteer Programme in local parks to support volunteers to organise an ongoing programme of ecological and environmental initiatives, including:
 - community planting
 - annual pest plant and animal control activities
 - local park and beach clean-ups
 - community environmental education events.

These local community services and key initiatives contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Whau Local Board Plan:

- Our people
- Our environment
- Our community
- Our places

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	438,237	341,000	453,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New measure	100%	100%
Percentage of local community facility components that are not in poor or very poor condition ²	New measure	85%	91%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability ³	New Measure	15	20
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 ²	New measure	93%	87%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme ^{3 4}	New Measure	25	32

¹Blockhouse Bay Library was closed for the majority of 2024/2025. The target increase is based on Blockhouse Bay Library being open for the full year and increased library hours for all libraries in Whau in 2025/2026.

²The target is based on the forecasted 2025/2026 asset condition which is determined by the condition and age-based asset deterioration model.

³The 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

⁴Urban Ngahere programme delivers on planting large specimen trees

Local planning and development

Local planning and development activities includes supporting local town centres and communities to thrive, through town centre plans and development, business improvement districts, 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:

- begin construction on Te Hono Project - a combined library, community centre and hub in the heart of Avondale town centre
- fund research into and review potential sites for a pool and recreation centre
- carry out a 'service provision assessment' to guide the future development of parkland at Crown Lynn Place

- provide funds to the Blockhouse Bay Business Improvement District (BID) to look into expanding the BID boundary
- fund delivery of programmes to support individuals, households, groups and businesses interested in progressing climate action
- fund a Whau Urban Ngahere Planting Plan to find the best areas to plant trees to improve tree coverage in public open spaces.

The local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Whau Local Board Plan:

- Our places
- Our economy
- Our environment

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 \$445,000.

In 2025/2026, we plan to:

- fund EcoMatters Environment Centre (EcoHub) and associated education programmes, and provide minimum level funding for EcoMatters Trust. This will help to:
 - manage the EcoMatters Environment Centre (EcoHub)
 - provide and promote free and affordable meeting spaces to other environmentally focused community groups
 - deliver a minimum of 26 sustainability related seminars and workshops
- fund the Rosebank Industrial Pollution Prevention Programme (PPP) to inform industries about the impacts their activities could have on local waterways. This programme teaches businesses about stormwater network connections and how they affect the health of local waterways
- fund the Whau Wildlink Project to support several small groups who work together on projects in their own backyards to:
 - improve water quality and biodiversity
 - increase collaboration in environmental work
 - incorporate tikanga into environmental work
- fund a Whau Stream Improvement Programme to improve local reserves and waterways through community engagement, environmental restoration and flood education. This programme involves working with local schools, community hubs and organisations to:
 - clean streams
 - remove invasive weeds
 - plant 200-300 plants on each site

- continue funding support for the Manukau Harbour Forum
 - deliver part-time mentoring programme during school holidays
 - progress our communications plan and focus on strengthening our engagement with the community and mana whenua partners.

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

- Our environment
- Our community
- Our people

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 participants in sustainable initiative programmes	New measure	4,660	4,670

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 \$1.4 million .

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) (Auckland Council's Māori outcomes framework).	New measure	Set baseline	Set baseline

Funding impact statement

This prospective funding impact statement explains how the council will fund local activities in the Whau 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	18,166	23,309
Targeted rates	960	992
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	27	28
Fees and charges	209	222
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	73	49
Total operating funding	19,436	24,600
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	12,815	17,683
Finance costs	4,683	4,493
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,792	2,314
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	19,290	24,491
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	146	109
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	7,951	23,693
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	7,951	23,693
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	5,177	12,252
- to improve the level of service	420	803
- to replace existing assets	2,500	10,748
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	8,097	23,802
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(146)	(109)
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
Park land at Avondale Racecourse	Buy significant park land in Avondale Racecourse as part of region-wide reprioritisation of funding.
Whau pool and recreation centre	Buy land to follow site identification to deliver the Whau pool and recreation centre by 2032. This benefit all the inner-west and Waitakere Ranges local board areas.
Te Whau Pathway	Build the bridge across the Whau River to connect the Avondale and New Lynn sections of Te Whau Pathway.
Cost pressures	Advocate for inflation and rates increases to fund rising costs. Many local boards will have to make major cuts to services to meet rising costs from 2026/2027 onwards. This could have a serious impact on our communities, with services getting worse each year.
Deed of Acknowledgement	Request that the Governing Body allocates funding and resources to complete the Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area Deed of Acknowledgement and a Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area Strategic Plan in 2025/2026.
Te Kawerau ā Maki	Advocate for governing body support for Te Kawerau ā Maki's ability to navigate Auckland Council's regulatory processes more smoothly, by giving priority where reasonable and possible, to any administrative procedures that may arise between the two parties.

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.



Kay Thomas

Chairperson
Mobile 021 198 0280
kay.thomas@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Fasitua Amosa

Deputy Chairperson
Mobile 021 473 364
fasitua.amosa@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Catherine Farmer

Mobile 021 284 2842
catherine.farmer@
aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Ross Clow

Mobile 021 720 466
ross.clow@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Sarah Paterson-Hamlin

Mobile 022 123 0944
sarah.paterson-hamlin@
aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Valeria Gascoigne

Mobile 027 316 6823
valeria.gascoigne@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



Warren Piper

Mobile 021 198 1389
warren.piper@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Email whaulocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz to contact Whau Local Board.

For further information:

- visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- phone 09 301 0101.

To access local board meetings, agendas and minutes, visit Local board meeting schedules: www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz > About Auckland Council > How Auckland Council works > Meetings of council bodies > Local board meeting schedules.

3

Ngā Kawenga Whakatau-Kaupapa a te
Tira Kāwana me ngā poari ā-rohe

Decision-making responsibilities of Auckland Council's Governing Body and local boards

► David Lange Park,
Māngere



Ngā Kawenga Whakatau-Kaupapa a te Tira Kāwana me ngā poari ā-rohe

Decision-making responsibilities of Auckland Council's Governing Body and local boards

This section sets out Auckland Council's allocation of decision-making responsibility for non-regulatory activities between the Governing Body and local boards. Providing context for this is:

- an overview of the sources of decision-making responsibilities for the Governing Body and local boards
- a summary of the associated powers.

Sources of decision-making responsibilities

Auckland Council is a unitary authority¹ with a two-tier governance structure comprising the Governing Body and the local boards. The decision-making responsibilities of Auckland Council, as a local authority, are shared between them.

When exercising their respective decision-making responsibilities, the Governing Body and local boards must comply with all relevant statutory requirements. This includes the council's obligations under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

The Governing Body and local boards obtain their decision-making responsibilities from three sources.

(a) Statutory decision-making responsibilities

The Governing Body and local boards have statutory responsibilities under the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 (Act). These statutory responsibilities are summarised in the following section and are not repeated in the allocation table.

(b) Delegation of decision-making responsibilities

The Governing Body can delegate some of its decision-making responsibilities to local boards. The decision-making responsibilities that have been delegated to local boards are summarised in the next section.

The Governing Body and local boards can also be delegated decision-making responsibilities from Auckland Transport.

(c) Allocation of decision-making for non-regulatory activities

The Governing Body is required by legislation to allocate decision-making responsibility for the non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council to either the Governing Body or local boards, in accordance with the principles contained in section 17(2) of the Act. This provides as follows:

- a) decision-making responsibility for a non-regulatory activity of the Auckland Council should be exercised by its local boards unless paragraph (b) applies:
- b) decision-making responsibility for a non-regulatory activity of the Auckland Council should be exercised by its Governing Body if the nature of the activity is such that decision-making on an Auckland-wide basis will better promote the well-being of the communities across Auckland because -
 - i. the impact of the decision will extend beyond a single local board area; or
 - ii. effective decision-making will require alignment or integration with other decisions that are the responsibility of the Governing Body; or
 - iii. the benefits of a consistent or co-ordinated approach across Auckland will outweigh the benefits of reflecting the diverse needs and preferences of the communities within each local board area.

Decision-making for non-regulatory activities can only be allocated to either the Governing Body or to a local board. Where more than one local board has an interest in a local activity then section 16(3) of the Act provides that:

... a local board should collaborate and co-operate with 1 or more other local boards in situations where the interests and preferences of communities within each local board area will be better served by doing so.

1. A unitary authority is a territorial authority that also has the responsibilities of, duties, and powers of a regional council.

Statutory and delegated decision-making responsibilities

(a) Statutory decision-making responsibilities

Governing Body: The Governing Body has statutory decision-making responsibility for the following:

- the regulatory activities of Auckland Council (such as Unitary Plan, consenting, and bylaws)
- the allocation of non-regulatory activities to either local boards or the Governing Body
- the non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council that are allocated to the Governing Body
- the decision-making of Auckland Council relating to transport networks and infrastructure
- agreeing local board agreements with local boards
- emergency management
- compliance with the financial management requirements of section 101 of the Local Government Act (including the Annual Plan, the Long-term Plan, and financial policies) and the setting of rates
- governance of Council-Controlled Organisations
- appointment of the Chief Executive
- the establishment and maintenance of the capacity of Auckland Council to provide, or ensure the provision of, its services and facilities (including local activities).

Local boards: The statutory role of local boards includes decision-making responsibility for the following:

- the non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council that are allocated to local boards
- adoption of local board plans
- agreeing of local board agreements with the Governing Body, including proposing a local targeted rate, and monitoring the implementation of local board agreements
- identifying and communicating the interests and preferences of people in each local board area in relation to the content of Auckland Council's strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws
- proposing bylaws for the local area to the Governing Body.

(b) Delegated decision-making responsibilities

To date the Governing Body has delegated the following decision-making responsibilities to all local boards²:

- input into notification decisions for resource consent applications
- amendments to the Policy on Dogs in relation to any dog access rules in local parks, local beaches or local foreshore areas in their local board area
- making objections to liquor licensing applications (on, off, club and special licences) under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012
- making, amending or revoking alcohol bans, except in areas of regional significance
- certain powers under the Reserves Act 1977 for local reserves:
 - declaring a reserve under section 14(1)
 - classifying a reserve under sections 16(1) or 16(2A)
 - reclassifying a reserve under section 24(1)
 - proposing the revocation of reserve status under section 24(1), where the request to revoke is because the local board wishes to manage the land under the Local Government Act 2002
- disposal of local service property and reinvestment of sale proceeds in accordance with the service property optimisation approach (as adopted by the Governing Body).

The Governing Body has also delegated the following decision-making responsibilities to:

- Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board, for-
 - authorising the destruction of wandering stock on Great Barrier Island, in accordance with the Impounding Act 1955
 - decision-making on operational cemeteries on Great Barrier Island.

One-off delegations to local boards from the Governing Body that are made on an ad hoc basis are not recorded in this section.

2. This is intended to summarise key existing delegations made by the Governing Body, and is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all delegations to local boards. Refer to the relevant resolutions for the detail of each delegation.

Allocation of decision-making for non-regulatory activities

The allocation of decision-making responsibility to the Governing Body and to local boards for the non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council is set out in the following tables. These will apply from 1 July 2024.

Given the broad range of activities undertaken by the council, it is not possible to list in precise detail all decisions that are allocated to a local board or the Governing Body. Instead, the allocation is applied on a case-by-case basis. To aid interpretation, elements of the key decision-making responsibilities of local boards and the Governing Body are provided for each allocated activity.

Applying the allocation as set out in the following tables needs to take into account the principles of section 17 of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. The general principle is that a non-regulatory decision will be made by local boards unless the nature of the activity is such that decision-making on an Auckland-wide basis will better promote the well-being of the communities across Auckland.

Substantive edits to the Allocation table are marked up or crossed out and highlighted.

Non-substantive changes have not been highlighted. Non-substantive changes include formatting changes e.g. creating separate rows of activities, separating existing Planning and development activities from economic development activities – these are currently listed together.

(c) Allocation of decision-making for non-regulatory activities

Activities	Local Board non-regulatory responsibilities <i>Local boards are allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>	Governing Body non-regulatory responsibilities <i>The Governing Body is allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>
General governance	Local governance including: - oversight of decisions on local activities - developing local strategies, policies and plans within parameters set by relevant regional strategies, policies and plans - submissions to government on legislation where it specifically relates to that local board area only - civic duties, engagements and functions in the local area, including citizenship ceremonies and recognition of volunteers.	Regional governance including: - oversight of decisions on regional activities - submissions to government on legislation including official submissions of Auckland Council incorporating local board views - regional civic duties, engagements and functions - regional strategies, policies and plans - international relationships, including entering into new relationships and ending existing relationships.

Explanatory notes:

- Regional strategies and policies are not intended to be prescriptive or unduly restrict the decision-making role of local boards. Where they relate to local activities, they provide regional parameters within which local boards then make decisions on local activities.
- A local board does not have the power to make submissions or objections on matters where the council is exercising its regulatory responsibilities, unless specifically delegated by the Governing Body.
- Local boards have a statutory role identifying and communicating the interests and preferences of its communities in relation to policies, plans and bylaws.

Planning and development	Local planning and development including: - local place-shaping activities, including local leadership to create a local identity - local strategic visioning, policy making and planning within parameters set by regional strategies, policies and plans - improvements to the local street environment and town centres - naming of roads pursuant to section 319(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1974.	Local planning and development including: - Auckland-wide place-shaping activities, including regional leadership to create Auckland's identity - street environment and town centres strategy and policy, including the classification of town centres - enabling the delivery of major development infrastructure projects in spatial priority areas as set out in the Future Development Strategy
---------------------------------	--	---

Explanatory notes:

- Area plans will require a high degree of involvement and formal endorsement by local boards. The adoption decision sits with Governing Body as it requires alignment and integration with other Governing Body responsibilities including regulatory plans, infrastructure prioritisation, asset and funding decisions.
- Auckland Transport has significant decision-making responsibilities within the street environment and town centres.

Activities	Local Board non-regulatory responsibilities <i>Local boards are allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>	Governing Body non-regulatory responsibilities <i>The Governing Body is allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>
Urban regeneration	• implementation of priority location plans, within parameters set by the governing body • local urban regeneration projects that are not part of the Auckland-wide urban regeneration programme, for example streetscape improvements or local service property optimisation projects	• Auckland-wide urban regeneration programme and outcomes • urban regeneration in city centre and waterfront • identification of priority locations for urban regeneration programme • allocation of budget for priority location plans including sequencing of urban regeneration projects, within annual funding envelopes • overall funding for priority location plans
<i>Explanatory notes:</i> • The Auckland-wide urban regeneration programme contributes to the implementation of the Auckland Plan and is designed to encourage economic development, optimise and integrate good public transport outcomes and deliver efficient and sustainable infrastructure and quality public services and amenities. The achievement of these outcomes may require decisions from both the Governing Body and local boards on location programmes and specific projects • A number of external agencies will be involved in the delivery of urban regeneration programmes. Communication with and coordination with external agencies will be managed by staff.		
Economic development	• Business Improvement District (BID) programmes, including establishment of new BIDs within the parameters set by the BID policy and recommending BID targeted rates to the Governing Body • Local economic development plans, projects and initiatives (including town centre branding and marketing and local business events) within parameters set by regional strategies, policies and plans	• regional economic development strategy and policy BID policy • Auckland-wide economic development programmes and initiatives
Environmental and waste management	Local environmental management including: • local environmental initiatives and projects • facilitating community-led environmental programmes and projects • local water quality projects within regional frameworks • local waste management plans and projects within regional parameters, set out in the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan	Waste services and Environmental services including: • regional environmental programmes and projects, including those funded by the natural environment targeted rate • waste management, including the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan • council-owned closed landfill management • environmental research and monitoring
Stormwater network management		Stormwater management including: • activities relating to the stormwater network, including catchment management plans, the Te Arai Drainage District, the Okahuhura Drainage Area, and the Glorit Drainage District (located in Rodney Local Board area) • regional water quality programmes, including those funded by the water quality targeted rate • regional resilience programmes

Explanatory notes:

- Local board input into regional environmental programmes is provided for at the programme design stage where appropriate. The prioritisation of projects within these regional programmes will be guided by the approved programme direction and ecological considerations. Where projects are to be delivered locally, local board input will be invited to ensure the projects are tailored to local circumstances.

Activities	Local Board non-regulatory responsibilities <i>Local boards are allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>	Governing Body non-regulatory responsibilities <i>The Governing Body is allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>
Parks and community services	Local arts and culture activity including: • acquisition of new local arts and culture facilities and their specific location, design, build and fit out within budget parameters agreed with the Governing Body • the use of local arts and culture facilities, including changes of use • local arts and culture projects, initiatives and events • local public artwork and local public art programmes • local community funding and grants • tailoring regional arts and culture programmes and events to local needs.	Regional arts and culture activity including: • acquisition of new arts and culture facilities for an Auckland-wide purpose or function • the use of regional arts and culture facilities • regional arts and culture programmes and events • regional public artwork and regional public art programmes • development, maintenance and access to the regional visual arts collection, including exhibitions and interpretive programmes • region-wide community funding and grants • regional arts and culture programmes, which can be tailored to local needs.
Events	Local events including: • coordinating local events, including attraction, development, delivery and promotion • sub-regional events which are the responsibility of the local board in which the event is located, in collaboration with other affected local boards • local events sponsorship, funding and grants • tailoring regional events programmes to local needs.	Regional recreation facilities and initiatives including: • coordinating regional events, including attraction, development, delivery and promotion • regional events sponsorship, funding and grants • regional events programmes, which can be tailored to local needs.
Explanatory notes: • Definitions of local and regional events are set out in schedule 2 in accordance with the Auckland Council Events Policy.		
Community development	Local community development including: • plans, projects and initiatives specific to the local area • tailoring region-wide community development and safety programmes to local needs • facilitating community-led placemaking and development initiatives • community advisory services • local community funding and grants	Regional community development including: • regional community development and safety programmes which can be tailored to local needs • regional community funding and grants
Facilities and asset management	Local community facilities and asset management including: • acquisition of new local community facilities (including local libraries, local sport and recreation facilities, local parks and reserves), and their specific location, design, build and fit out within budget parameters agreed with the Governing Body • maintaining service capacity and integrity of local assets throughout their useful life (renewals and upgrades) in accordance with Auckland-wide parameters, standards and minimum service levels set by the Governing Body • the use of local community facilities, including leasing and changes of use	Regional facilities and asset management including: • acquisition of any new facilities for an Auckland-wide purpose or function (including new recreation facilities and parks for an Auckland-wide purpose or function) • the use of all other council facilities including leasing and changes of use • city waterfront properties and marinas (Westhaven, Viaduct, Silo, Hobsonville, Gulf Harbour, Half Moon Bay) • social housing, such as housing for the elderly • management of non-service property • Maintaining the service capacity and integrity of regional assets throughout their useful life (renewals and upgrades) and setting Auckland-wide parameters, standards and minimum service levels for all asset management planning.

Activities	Local Board non-regulatory responsibilities <i>Local boards are allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>	Governing Body non-regulatory responsibilities <i>The Governing Body is allocated decision-making responsibility for the following non-regulatory activities of Auckland Council.</i>
<i>Explanatory notes:</i> - Local community facilities are facilities used for local activities and include community centres, community halls, local libraries, local sports and recreation facilities, local parks and reserves - Local community facility projects (including asset renewals and upgrades) of significant scope or cost may need to be reported to the Governing Body for information purposes only. The aim of any reports would be to ensure collective oversight of initiatives that may be of broader interest to ratepayers and communities beyond local board areas. - Some regional sports facilities and regional events facilities and amenities are the responsibility of Tātaki Auckland Unlimited. These include the Viaduct Events Centre, stadium management, Auckland Live, Auckland Conventions, Auckland Zoo and the Auckland Art Gallery		
Libraries	Local libraries and literacy <i>excluding</i>: - location, design, build and fit out of new local libraries within budget parameters agreed with the Governing Body - the design and type of community facilities within local libraries - the use of local libraries including local exhibitions, programmes and events within local libraries.	Regional libraries and literacy <i>including</i>: - the mobile library and digital library services - the libraries' collection policy and practice (including development and maintenance of all library collections) - regional exhibitions, programmes and events within libraries - the central library, other than the ground and first floors.
Sports and recreation	Local sport and recreation <i>including</i>: - location, design, build and fit out of new local sport and recreation facilities within budget parameters agreed with the Governing Body - the use of local sport and recreation facilities, including leasing and changes of use - the use of local holiday parks, including leasing and changes of use - local sport and recreation programmes and initiatives - local community funding and grants - tailoring regional sport and recreation programmes to local needs.	Regional sport and recreation <i>including</i>: - the use of regional sport and recreation facilities (including sports stadiums) - the use of regional campgrounds - coordination of the use of sport and recreation facilities on a regional basis - regional sport and recreation programmes, which can be tailored to local needs - regional community funding and grants.
Parks and reserves	Local parks <i>including</i>: - location of new local parks within budget parameters agreed with the Governing Body - reserve management plans for local parks - local parks improvements and place-shaping - the use of and activities within local parks, such as community events and community planting programmes - cemeteries that are no longer in active use and are functioning as local parks - naming of local parks.	Regional parks <i>including</i>: - reserve management plans for regional parks - the use of and activities within regional parks - coordination of the use of sports fields on a regional basis - open cemeteries.

Explanatory notes:

- Land is owned by Auckland Council. Decision-making responsibility relating to land will depend on the nature of the activity and the allocation of decision-making responsibility for that activity.
- The decision-making of local boards in relation to local parks may be constrained where decisions relate to council stormwater management activities, including the stormwater network.
- For the purposes of this allocation, parks includes land held under the Reserves Act 1977.

Note: Delegation to staff

The Governing Body and local boards have made a general delegation of all of their responsibilities, duties and powers, subject to financial limits and the Local Board Delegation Protocols (in the case of local boards), to the Chief Executive. These are set out in the Chief Executive's Delegations Register.

Schedule 1 - Governance of parks

1. The Governing Body has governance responsibility for the following regional parks and contiguous land.

Regional Parks

Auckland Council manages the following as regional parks:

Ambury	Scandrett
Ātiu Creek	Shakespear
Auckland Botanic Gardens	Tāpapakanga
Āwhitu	Tāwharanui
Duder	Tawhitokino
Glenfern Sanctuary	Te Ārai
Hūnua Ranges	Te Muri
Long Bay	Te Rau Pūriri
Mahurangi	Waharau
Motukorea / Browns Island	Waitākere Ranges
Muriwai (excluding Muriwai Village Green)	Waitawa
Mutukaroa / Hamlins Hill	Wenderholm
Ōmana	Whakanewha
Ōrere Point	Whakatīwai
Pakiri	
Te Motu a Hiaroa / Puketutu	

Land contiguous with Regional Parks

Relevant Regional Park	For the avoidance of doubt, land listed below is part of the adjacent regional park	
Long Bay	Piripiri Park	Section 1 SO 70452
Mahurangi	Scott Point Reserve, Te Kapa Peninsula	Lot 15 DP 44711
		Sec 216 Mahurangi Village SO 43441
		Lot 14 DP 44711
Muriwai	Oaia Reserve, Muriwai	Lot 11 DP 58521
Te Ārai	Te Ārai Reserve	Lot 1 DP 66227
		Lot 1 DP 59556
Waitākere Ranges	Mārama Plantation Reserve, Little Huia	Lot 12 DP 27798
	Douglas Scenic Reserve	Lot 31 DP 77453
	Rāroa Park	Lot 100 DP 21358
	Parkland surrounding Waitākere Quarry Scenic Reserve	Lot 2 DP 193044
	Karekare Reserve	Lot 31 DP 40109
	Lone Kauri Road – 3 reserves	Lot 99 DP 42402
		Lot 106 DP 42402
		Lot 107 DP 42402
	South Piha Plantation Reserve	Lot 77 DP 31268
	Lake Wainamu Scenic Reserve	Section 3 Block 1/Waitakere SD/
	Tasman View Esplanade	Lot 90 DP 42223
	Lake Wainamu Walkway	Pt Waitakere 1A (Easement over lake edge only)
	Waitoru Reserve, Bethells Rd	Pt Allotment 5 PSH OF Waitakere
Whakanewha	Upland Road Walkway	Lot 489 DP 20610 Pt Whakanewha Block

2. Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority (Maunga Authority) has governance decision-making responsibility for the following maunga.

Parks under the administration of the Maunga Authority

Matukutūruru / Wiri Historic Reserve
 Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill
 Maungarei / Mt Wellington
 Maungauika (North Head)
 Maungawhau / Mt Eden
 Ōhinerau / Mt Hobson
 Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain
 Ōtāhuhu / Mt Richmond
 Ōwairaka / Te Ahi-kā-a-Rakataura / Mount Albert
 Puketāpapa / Pukewīwī / Mount Roskill
 Takarunga / Mount Victoria
 Te Kōpuke / Tītīkōpuke / Mount St John
 Te Pane-o-Mataaho / Te Ara Pueru / Māngere Mountain
 Te Tātua a Riukiuta / Big King

Note: ownership of Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill Northern land remains with the Crown and it is administered by the Maunga Authority under the Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014 and the Reserves Act 1977.

3. Post settlement governance entities have governance responsibility for the following reserves.

Park name	Governance entity	Relevant legislation
Kaipātiki (formerly Parakai Recreation Reserve)	Te Poari o Kaipātiki ki Kaipara (formerly Parakai Recreation Reserves Board)	Ngāti Whātua o Kaipara Claims Settlement Act 2013
Whenua Rangatira and Pourewa Creek Recreation Reserve	Ngāti Whātua o Ōrākei Reserves Board	Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Claims Settlement Act 2012

4. The Governing Body has responsibility for the majority of land contiguous to Tūpuna Maunga governed by the Maunga Authority. The Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Redress Act 2014 provides for the transfer of administration by the council of these lands to the Maunga Authority at the discretion of the Governing Body.

Land contiguous with parks subject to Treaty of Waitangi settlement

Park subject to Treaty of Waitangi Settlement	Contiguous council owned land allocated to the Governing Body
Maungawhau / Mt Eden	Lot 1 DP 131932
Maungarei / Mt Wellington	Lot 200 DP 436081
Ōhinerau / Mt Hobson	Pt Allotment 2 SECT 11 SBRS OF Auckland
Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain	Lot 182 DP 98841
	Lot 183 DP 98841
	Section 1 SO 434440
	Section 2 SO 434440
	Section 3 SO 434440
	Allotment 19 SECT 5 SM FMS NEAR Howick

Ōtāhuhu / Mt Richmond	Lot 1 DP 47429
	Lot 2 DP 47429
	Lot 3 DP 47429
	Lot 4 DP 47429
	Lot 5 DP 47429
	Lot 6 DP 47429
	Lot 7 DP 47429
	Lot 8 DP 47429
	Pt Lot 10 DP 47429
Ōwairaka / Te Ahi-kā-a-Rakataura / Mount Albert	Lot 29A DP 17682
	Lot 19 DP 58177
	Lot 59 DP 16603
Te Kōpuke / Tītīkōpuke / Mount St John	Lot 1 DP 334602
	Lot 2 DP 413830
	Lot 13 DP 20564
	Lot 2 DP 35331
Te Tātua a Riukiuta / Big King	Lot 4 DP 44196
	Lot 3 DP 44196
	Lot 5 DP 108794
	Lot 4 DP 21107
	Lot 5 DP 108794
	Lot 1 DP 108794
	Pt Allotment 80 SECT 10 SBRS of Auckland

5. Other parks of regional significance

Other parks subject to special arrangements due to their regional significance

Auckland Domain	Decision making allocation for Auckland Domain is geographically split, with the Waitematā Local Board being allocated responsibility for the playing fields areas and two community recreational leases (Auckland Bowling Club and Parnell Tennis Club), and the balance of land within Auckland Domain being allocated to the Governing Body. The Waitematā Local Board and the Governing Body have delegated decision-making to the Auckland Domain Committee, a joint governance committee of the Waitematā Local Board and Governing Body.
Colin Dale Park	Decision making allocation for Colin Dale Park is geographically split, with Governing Body being allocated the responsibility for the motorsport precinct (44.3052ha) and Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board allocated responsibility for the remainder of the land (10.1355ha).

Schedule 2 - Auckland Council Events Policy categories

The Events Policy identifies three categories of events, local, regional and major.

Local events - An event is considered to be a local activity governed by local boards unless it meets the criteria for a regional or major event as defined in this schedule.

Regional and major events - An event must demonstrate the strategic outcomes, appeal, profile and economies of scale to be categorised a regional or major event as defined in the table below. It will have most, if not necessarily all, of the distinguishing characteristics below.

Event Category	Strategic Outcomes	Appeal – breadth and depth of the event	Profile	Regional Coordination
Regional	- delivers regional objectives set by the Governing Body - helps deliver on Auckland-wide strategies such as for sport and recreation, arts and culture - offers a distinctive event proposition for the region.	- demonstrates it draws from a regionally distributed audience e.g. appeals to a specific demographic or interest group that is geographically dispersed across the region - demonstrates a size and scale that is regionally significant.	has region-wide and maybe national profile, demonstrated through media and wide public awareness.	demonstrates clear benefits of decisions being coordinated at a region-wide level only if the nature of the event is such that decision-making on an Auckland-wide basis will better promote community well-being across Auckland e.g. delivered in multiple locations across the region, ensuring regional distribution, ability to attract sponsorship, region-wide marketing and promotion.
Major	- delivers economic development outcomes - delivers significant economic return on investment - provides measurable economic benefits, such as significant increase in visitor nights.	- appeals to regional, national and international audiences and participants - a large mass appeal social event that is distinctive to Auckland.	has regional, national and international profile.	

Schedule 3 – Minimum service levels for local community services

Local community service levels must meet or exceed the following minimum service levels:

Intended Outcome	Minimum Service Level
• Meet community expectations on opening times of libraries	• All permanently staffed community libraries are open at least 44 hours and 6 days per week
• Maintain effective circulation of the regional library collection across the network	• Staffing to receive and dispatch regional collection items circulating around the network is sufficient to avoid backlogs of more than 7 days.
• Provide a professional library and information service	• A qualified librarian is available to a local board's libraries during library opening hours
• Keep our customers safe and provide staff with a safe and healthy working environment	• Where a service is staffed a minimum level of staffing will be required for safe operation and will comply with key legislation and regulation • Community assets are maintained to a safe and healthy condition
• Pool services comply with Poolsafe standards	• Maintain 'Poolsafe' standards for all opening hours
• Pool and water safety for children	• All children under 17yo swim for free in Council pools (as approved under LTP 2012-2022)
• Citizenship ceremonies available to all new citizens	• Citizenship ceremonies offered at least every quarter, by individual local board or in local board clusters

4

He pārongo atu anō

Additional Information



▲ Onetangi waka ama team

Tō Tātou Hanganga

4.1 Our structure

Auckland Council is structured to provide scale for efficient delivery, a regional perspective that provides a clear direction for all of Auckland, and representation that reflects diversity, local knowledge and active public participation.

The mayor is tasked with leading the development of regional plans, policies and budgets to achieve that vision.

Auckland's 20 councillors, who represent 13 wards, make up the Governing Body along with the mayor. It focuses on strategic issues and initiatives which affect Auckland as a region. Some decision-making powers are delegated to the committees of the whole: Policy and Planning Committee, Transport, Resilience and Infrastructure Committee and the Budget Committee, also known as 'parent committees'. Other committees are: Auckland Domain; Audit and Risk; Civil Defence and Emergency Management; Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) Direction and Oversight; revenue, Expenditure and Value; Performance and Appointments; Parks; Regulatory and Safety; and Community Committee.

We have 149 local board members, spread over 21 local boards, who make decisions on the local services, such as parks, libraries, community halls and pools, which form the fabric of our local communities.

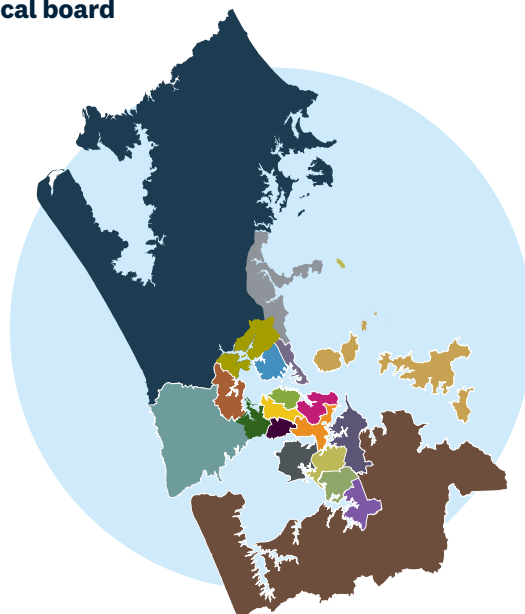
Local boards

The 21 local boards are a key part of the governance of Auckland Council with a wide-ranging role that spans most local council services and activities. Local boards make decisions on local matters, provide local leadership, support strong local communities and provide important local input into region-wide strategies and plans. Local boards:

- make decisions on local matters, including setting the standards of services delivered locally
- identify the views of local people on regional strategies, policies, plans and bylaws and communicate these to the Governing Body
- develop and implement local board plans (every three years)
- develop, monitor and report on local board agreements (every year)
- provide local leadership and develop relationships with the Governing Body, the community and community organisations in the local area
- any additional responsibilities delegated by the Governing Body, such as decisions within regional bylaws.

Each year, local boards and the Governing Body agree individual local board agreements, which set out the local activities, services and levels of service that will be provided over the coming year. The local board agreements for 2025/2026 are included in Volume 2 of this annual plan.

To find out which local board area you are in, follow this path from the website home page: **About Council > Local Boards > Find your ward and local board**



Structure

Houkura

The independent Māori statutory board is an independent body corporate of nine members based in Auckland. Houkura's purpose is to assist the council to make decisions by promoting issues of significance for mana whenua groups and mātāwaka of Tāmaki Makaurau and ensuring that the council acts in accordance with statutory provisions referring to the Treaty of Waitangi.

Advisory panels

Public Art Advisory Panel; Pacific Peoples Advisory Panel; Disability Advisory Panel; Rainbow Communities Advisory Panel; Ethnic Communities Advisory Panel; Seniors Advisory Panel; City Centre Advisory Panel; Youth Advisory Panel; Auckland Urban Design Panel; Rural Advisory Panel.

THE
MAYOR AND
COUNCILLORS

Decision-
making

21 local
boards

ADVICE
AND
INPUT

Community
engagement on plans,
policies and budgets.

Co-governance
and advisory
groups between
mana whenua
and the council,
including Ngā
Mātārae.

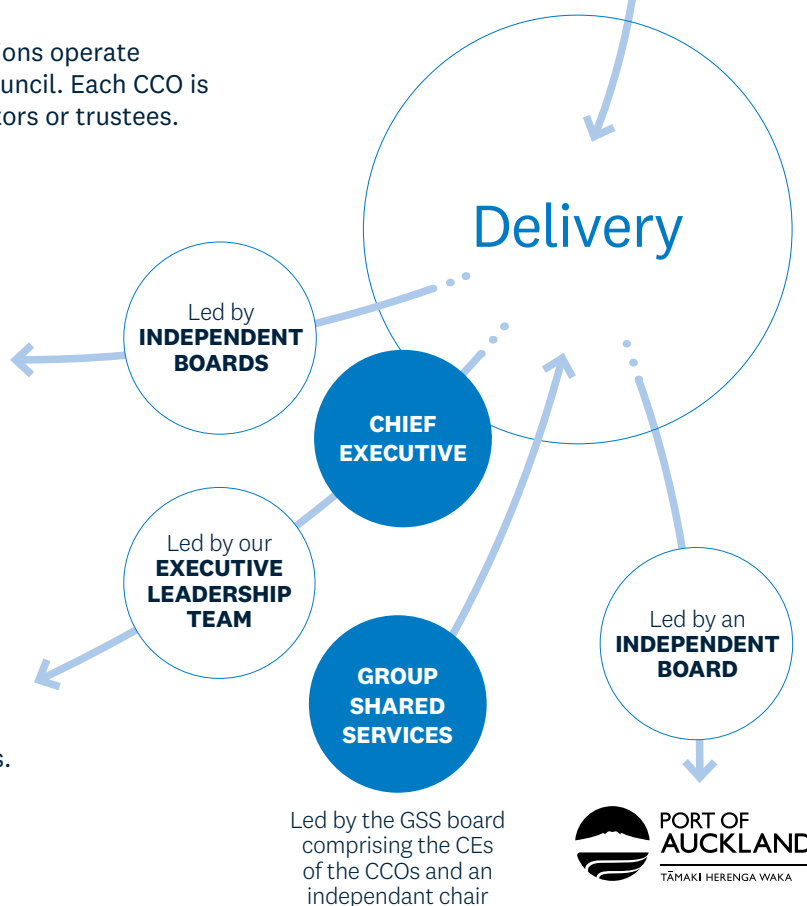
Auckland Council Group

CCOs

Council-controlled organisations operate separately from Auckland Council. Each CCO is overseen by a board of directors or trustees.



Auckland Council
We deliver a wide range of
services, events and facilities.



Papakupu kupu

7.2 Glossary of terms

Active travel

Walking and cycling

Activity or service

The services the council provides to the community. This includes things like running buses, collecting rubbish and maintaining parks.

AIAL

Auckland International Airport Limited

Annual Plan, Annual Budget

The plan that sets out what the council seeks to achieve in a financial year, the services we will provide, how much money will be spent and where that money will come from.

Asset

An item of value, usually something of a physical nature that you can reach out and touch, that will last for more than one year. Infrastructure assets are physical items such as roads, pipes and council buildings that are needed to provide basic services.

Asset portfolio

A collection of a wide range of assets that are owned by investors.

Asset rationalisation

The process of reorganising a company's assets in order to improve operating efficiencies and boost the bottom line.

Asset recycling

This means letting go of some of our less well used assets to help pay for new ones that will help us deliver better services to the community. Usually this means selling assets to somebody else, but sometimes it is possible to instead agree that someone else will use the asset for a period of time before handing it back to us in the future.

Auckland Council or the council

The local government of Auckland established on 1 November 2010. The council is made up of the governing body, 21 local boards, and the council organisation (operational staff).

Auckland Plan 2050

Our long-term spatial plan for Auckland looks ahead to 2050. It considers how we will address our key challenges of high population growth, shared prosperity, and environmental degradation.

Auckland Transport

The organisation that delivers transport services on behalf on the council.

Base renewal

Continue maintenance and base renewal of our portfolio of assets with a focus on de-carbonisation of heritage assets and other de-carbonisation initiatives.

Blue-green networks

Interconnected system of water [blue] and green spaces like parks and gardens.

Capex

Capital investment, capital expenditure or capital programme. Building (or buying) assets such as roads, pipes and buildings that are used to provide services to Aucklanders.

Category 3 homes/properties

These are properties which, as a result of severe weather events, are assessed by Auckland Council to represent an intolerable risk to life with land instability or flooding and for which there are no feasible mitigation solutions. Residential properties assessed as category 3 are eligible for a buy-out.

Category 2P homes/properties

These are properties where there is assessed to be an intolerable risk to life from a future storm event for which there is a feasible mitigation at a property level.

CATTR

Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate

Community stewardship

Community stewardship is about creating and preserving long-term value for current and future generations by responsibly managing and allocating capital, to look ahead and provide advice on future challenges and opportunities.

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

Measure of change in price over time for consumer goods/services, shown as an average.

Council group

Auckland Council and the Council-controlled organisations, along with the council's investments in Port of Auckland.

Council-controlled organisation (CCO)

A company (or other type of organisation) that is at least 50 per cent owned by the council or for which the council has at least 50 per cent control through voting rights or the right to appoint directors. These organisations each have their own board of directors (or equivalent) and their own staff who manage day-to-day operations.

CRL

City Rail Link

CV (Capital value)

The value of an asset or investment (for example property value).

Debt

Using borrowings in a sustainable way to pay for long-life assets.

Deferral

Delaying the building or buying of assets until a later time.

Deficit

A shortfall of income or assets over expenditure or liabilities in a given period.

Depreciation (costs)

A reduction in the value of an asset with the passage of time. The council funds depreciation from the general rates, ensuring we can replace the assets in the future.

Deprivation

Lacking the material benefits considered to be basic necessities in a society.

Development contributions (DC)

A charge paid by developers to the council when they build or subdivide property. The council uses this money to help pay for new assets such as roads, pipes and parks that are needed to support the new households or businesses that will occupy the new properties that have been or will be developed.

Diversified investment

The spreading of investments both among and within different asset classes and across geographic areas. This would reduce specific company risks but will remain subject to national and international economic cycles and impacts.

Equitable funding level

The funding each local board would be entitled to under the funding allocation model.

Facilities

Buildings or other structures used to provide activities or services to Aucklanders.

Financial year

The year from 1 July to 30 June the following year. The council budgets and sets rates based on these dates rather than calendar years which end on 31 December.

Fiscal rules

A numerical limit or goal in respect of one or more financial areas. Fiscal rules are often expressed as limits on spending, revenue, budget balances, or debt.

Fully funded depreciation

Allowing for 100 per cent of the cost of depreciation in any given year.

GDP

Gross domestic product- a measure of what is produced in the national economy.

General rates

Rates levied on ratepayers across Auckland pay to fund general services.

GHG emissions

Greenhouse gases emissions

Governing Body

The Governing Body is made up of the mayor and 20 councillors.

Government Funding

Funding from the central government.

Grants and subsidies

Money that someone pays to the council to cover (or help cover) the cost of providing a service to Aucklanders. Sometimes grants also refers to money the council pays to a community organisation to provide activities or services to Aucklanders, rather than council providing those services directly.

Green bonds

Nominal fixed income bonds which provide finance for specific government projects with climate change mitigation and environmental outcomes.

Greenfield

Undeveloped land.

GST

Goods and services tax.

GSS

Group Shared Services.

Individual Service Profiles

Individual service profiles for each department within both Auckland Council parent and the council-controlled organisations.

Infill development

Increasing the number of dwellings on a property, either by building a secondary or accessory dwelling (for example, a granny flat) or by creating a new site through subdivision of the site.

Integrated transport plan

A process to identify current and future access needs – for people, goods and services – and inform decision makers, key stakeholders and the community on how to manage the transport system and land uses to best address these needs.

Iwi

A number of hapū (section of a tribe) related through a common ancestor.

Kaitiakitanga

Guardianship

Local boards

There are 21 local boards. They represent their local communities and make decisions on local issues and services.

LTDS

Long-term Differential Strategy by which the share of rates paid by businesses, rather than households, is changed.

MSFW

Making Space for Water

mana whenua

The indigenous people (Māori) who have historic and territorial rights over the land. It refers to iwi and hapū who have these rights in Tāmaki Makaurau, Auckland.

Mātauranga

Māori knowledge

Mataawaka

Māori living in the Auckland region who are not in a Mana Whenua group.

Maunga

Mountain, mount, peak.

Net zero emissions

An overall balance between greenhouse gas emissions produced and greenhouse gas emissions taken out of the atmosphere.

NLTF

National Land Transport Fund

NETR

Natural Environment Targeted Rate

OCR

Official Cash Rate

Opex

Operating expenditure. Money the council spends on providing services in the current financial year, as opposed to building things that will provide services for years to come. This includes spending money on staff and contractors to do things like process building consents, open libraries, run buses and maintain parks. It also includes things like paying grants to community organisations and paying interest on money the council has borrowed.

POAL

Port of Auckland Limited

Premium fare(s)

A fare for ferry services that are considered to be more costly, perhaps because they cover greater distance or are on routes that have higher running costs.

RTN

Rapid transit network

Rates

A tax against the property to help fund activities, services and assets that the council provides.

Rates postponement

Allowing ratepayers to delay paying the rates they owe until a later date.

RFT

Regional Fuel Tax

Revenue or income

Money that the council receives (or is due to receive) to pay for the cost of providing services to Auckland. Cash revenue specifically refers to the money received during the year, and excludes things like postponed rates which will be received later.

Savings

Reducing costs to council perhaps by being more efficient (ways to provide services for reduced costs) or by delivering different or fewer services to the community.

Shoreline Adaptation Plan

Planning for the future of Auckland's 3200km of shorelines (beaches, cliffs, harbours and estuaries) in response to the impacts of climate change, erosion and flooding.

Strategic Development Fund

A credit facility available to us to take advantage of any acquisition opportunities for town centre regeneration outcomes.

Tāmaki Ora 2025–2027

Tāmaki Ora 2025–2027 is Auckland Council's refreshed Māori Outcomes Strategy and Performance Measurement Framework.

Tangata whenua

Citizen

Targeted rates

A rate that is paid by only a particular group of ratepayers or is used to fund only a particular set of activities (as opposed to spreading the cost across all ratepayers) or where the council wants to make sure that money collected for a particular purpose is only spent for that purpose.

Tātaki Auckland Unlimited

Tātaki Auckland Unlimited refers to two substantive council-controlled organisations: Tātaki Auckland Unlimited Limited and Tātaki Auckland Unlimited Trust.

Time-of-use charges

Charging motorists to enter roads, usually at peak times, as a way of deterring congestion.

Transport

Local roading, parking and public transport services provided for Aucklanders. These services are usually provided by Auckland Transport, except for the City Rail Link project which is delivered separately in partnership with central government.

Waste

Generally refers to household and business rubbish, along with recycling and things like food scraps which can be reused for other purposes.

Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

A statutory Auckland-wide plan required under the Waste Minimisation Act 2008, with an aspirational goal of zero waste by 2040.

WQTR

Water Quality Targeted Rate

Watercare

Watercare Services Limited, the organisation that provides water supply and wastewater services to Aucklanders.

Te huarahi whakapā mai ki te kaunihera

4.3 How to contact us

Online

aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/contactus

Phone

09 301 0101

Post

Auckland Council, Private Bag 92300, Auckland 1142

Locations that offer council services

Central City Library

44-46 Lorne Street, CBD

Great Barrier Island Library

75 Hector Sanderson Road, Claris,
Aotea / Great Barrier Island

Helensville Library

49 Commercial Road, Helensville

Kumeū Library

296 Main Road (SH16), Kumeū

Manukau Library

3 Osterley Way, Manukau

Ōrewa Library

12 Moana Avenue, Ōrewa

Pukekohe Library, Franklin

12 Massey Avenue, Pukekohe

Sir Edmund Hillary Library (Papakura)

1/209 Great South Road, Papakura

Takapuna Library

9 The Strand, Takapuna

Te Manawa (Westgate)

11 Kohuhu Lane, Westgate

Waiheke Library

131-133 Oceanview Road,
Oneroa, Waiheke Island

Waitākere Central Library, Henderson

3 Ratanui Street, Henderson

Warkworth Library

2 Baxter Street, Warkworth

For opening hours and a list of services available at each service centre, visit
<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/report-problem/visit-us/Pages/default.aspx>

Auckland Council disclaims any liability whatsoever in connection with any action taken in reliance of this document for any error, deficiency, flaw or omission contained in it.

© 2025 Auckland Council, New Zealand
June 2025

Auckland Council Annual Plan 2025/2026. Volume 2: Local Board Information and Agreements

ISSN 2624-0300 (Print)
ISSN 2624-0319 (Online)

ISBN 978-1-991377-54-8 (Print)
ISBN 978-1-991377-55-5 (PDF)

2-volume set

ISBN 978-1-991377-56-2 (Print)
ISBN 978-1-991377-57-9 (PDF)

This document is licensed for re-use under the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International licence. In summary, you are free to copy, distribute and adapt the material, as long as you attribute it to Auckland Council and abide by the other licence terms.



v. 11/07/2025