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Why is my tax payer money being wasted on cones and Traffic Management Companies all over Auckland? These companies are cheating us unnecessarily blocking roads at night time and diverting us elsewhere The staff are mucking around having smoko time. Permits must be issued by Auckland Council for road works

Stop wasting my petrol and maintenance on my car

Be accountable for every tax payers dollar



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Cities need green parks (not even manicured, just rewilded) for the rest of eyes after working or studying week days are done. Places to breath tree and plant purified air after air conditioned offices, libraries, a public transport.

Please avoid taking these spaces to sell to cover budget shortfalls, or to spread intensive and soulless apartment blocks which often have paltry areas allocated for recreation and repose, in favour of a short term gain by investors or speculators. Instead, favour the wellbeing and balanced life circumstances of citizens. Please have a future-focused perspective of the social (and therefore healthy) potential for significantly green spaces in new housing and industrial developments.

We are a small economy I know, but we can have real wisdom when investmenting in the quality of life for all our communities for generations to come.





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I would like to make a suggestion to make the Roayl road onramp buslane a T2.

The onramp is often congested during the morning commute to the city and cars entering the onramp are often forced to use the bus lane just to get through to the onramp as the traffic is so backed up.

If you were to make the bus lane a T2 between the morning commute it would definitely help traffic move and less people will be forced to use the bus lane illegally.



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### Tell us why

I support all due to the overall plan being realistic and proving that this plan will ensure New Zealand Auckland's best interest. The aspects of it all proves that Auckland is in need of a good well planned change

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

We need as much attraction in Auckland to show that we are a country of freedom and safe place for others to travel too. Regarding the bed night visitor levy it can be a risky plan but for the better version of Auckland it is but to do what attracts tourist that can have an impact on income

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Other

**Tell us why**

I agree to charging foreigners more. We should take less from our own people. Taxes are too high as it is. If not from foreigners then our people might end up paying for it somewhere else.

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Sir, I object to any rate rise, when my road is used like a car park and also used by the people that park their car like a BIN...all the rubbish goes on the road. Maybe a 180 minute sign could help in Belmont tce and Nile Rd and all the surrounding streets. Please listen to the folks just for once, then maybe we would not feel so ignored.



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New Zealand are doing so well on the world stage in Motorsport, with western springs being a big part of this.

Joining Waikaraka Park is not a viable option. We have attended both venues over the years and you can't compare. Not to mention the two different types of race cars involved.

This is a sport where you don't have to be rich. Being crew members, going to watch etc, can be done on any budget.

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With the world currently facing unprecedented challenges, many of us are tightening our belts and seeking ways to conserve our resources. However, it feels as though those in leadership positions are disconnected from this reality, continuing to spend far beyond our means without a clear plan for financial responsibility.

To illustrate my point, the proliferation of parking tickets in our city is a stark reminder of this trend. Additionally, the introduction of new regulations, particularly along areas like Ponsby Road, seems to be adding unnecessary costs that disproportionately affect those who are already struggling financially. This isn't what I envisioned as prudent fiscal management.

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I was advised by the doctor I saw at A & E, that my accident was far from uncommon among members of walking, jogging and running groups, but he would hate to see such groups disband as they provide participants with three major necessary functions -

exercise, sunshine, and camaraderie.

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The history of this internationally iconic venue that was purchased from the William Motion Family by Auckland Council provided it was used for the purpose of speedway and track cycling , with the condition that it remain a speedway track makes this an illegal act and is with complete disrespect to the vendors of this facility !

You have murdered a Motorsport institution by manipulating the facts to what appears to help line your own pockets !

This venue is the home of New Zealand Speedway and should be protected at all costs forever to provide the best form of Family friendly Saturday night entertainment available anywhere in the country !

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Oh wait?



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Porana Road and others were hit when water from north of that area had not been taken away under motorway.

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I live in Auckland so it is particularly pertinent that this council chooses to band together with other councils who are in opposition to GE.

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It will also permanently destroy the NZ brand of clean and green and organic.

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Thank you for this opportunity to have a say.

I wish to make comments about the ENVIRONMENT and the Gene Technology Bill .

The Gene Technology Bill was debated in the first half of December 2024.

Most New Zealanders have neither heard of it , or know what it is about.

It deals with an issue that takes pages to explain and much knowledge and careful thought to understand.

Yet it has passed its first reading and there was a short time before 17th February to make a submission on it.

The timing and naming of this Bill meant that most New Zealanders had no idea they should respond to an issue that needs a binding referendum- at the very least- before any decisions are made.

The Councils of the North have decided to retain their existing Precautionary Regulations. They, like the Auckland Council , belong to the Inter-council Working Party on GMO and Risk Evaluation and Management Options ( Inter- council W P ). Their regulations were the outcome of the work done in this working party and experience.

The Councils of the North fought and won, with the help of other public groups and the support of the population, TWO COURT CASES to earn the right to regulate GE and GMOs in the NORTH . The first was in the Environment Court , the second was in the High Court. It gave the people of Northland the right to have precautionary regulations on GE and GMOs in the North. It was a legal decision .

In a democracy the Executive branch of Government cannot interfere with the BRANCH FOR LAW AND JUSTICE.

We have fought hard and worked hard to have the right to have precautionary regulations on GE and GMOs.

I hope Auckland will continue to belong to the Inter-council WP, and confirm its precautionary regulations on GE and GMOs in their Annual Plan for 2025-2026.

GE and GMOs are a threat to the environment.

Experiments need to be in closed laboratories. GE and GMOs experimenters have a very poor record in NZ (Tree Tomatoes Tamarillo experiment not cleared and cleansed. Careless escape of a GMO brassica. A flowering grass left unattended and only chance intervened. Inadequate disposal of GMO animals at Ruakura.) Anything involving human input is a risk. Humans are fallible. precautions are needed.

Anything to do with medicine is ringed with precautions already . So the argument that medical triumphs are prevented by precautions does not fit the argument that precautions prevent groundbreaking medical discoveries. It does not apply .

GMOs are not natural . A natural grass for example is host to thousands of life forms, from the microbial in the soil to the large mammals ( They are of many kinds: cows , sheep , goats, horses...All have different dietary needs) in the paddock. It affects the ECOLOGY of its environment , and that includes the soil . Anything with this amount of influence has to be tested over a long period over every life form: ECOLOGY. This is expensive, unless it is skimped. So , precautions against profiteering and degradation of the environment are needed. Risk takers need to be able to pay for their risks...not the NZ public. Corporations tend to: use , abuse , take the money and run. ( Pyke River).

GE plants have "built in" poisonous pesticides. Some GE corn poisoned people but cattle could eat it.

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GE and GMOs are not a fast track to profits . They are costly and take time and are a serious threat to ecology and the environment.

This is just the beginning of what could be pages of reasons for having precautionary regulations for GE and GMOs. I will spare you the rest. These should be sufficient reason to retain your precautionary regulations.

Just a few more points

We will lose our big selling point of GE FREE which is required by most of the countries we trade with.

The Gene Technology Bill has been rushed through without due thought and consideration. It is a threat to the economy , community , health and environment of NZ.. These are all covered in your

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So clearly this shows that Auckland Transport do not care about the wishes or concerns of the resident ratepayers and do not seem answerable to anyone.

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Do not support

### **Tell us why**

I believe a bed tax should not be introduced and certainly not by Auckland Council.

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Stay away from Pukeatua

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BANN THEM ALL TO THEIR DESIGNATED CYCLE LINES..STAY OFF OUT FOOTPATHS

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

I fully support James Doolan and the Hotel Council's (we are members of this organisation) position, as reported in the NZ Herald a few weeks back. I have copied the article below.

My position and recommendations are as per the article

### THREE KEY FACTS

Auckland Mayor Wayne Brown has proposed a bed tax of 2.5% to 3% to fund a \$7m shortfall for major events.

Implementing any bed tax or levy would require central government legislation.



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Don't fall for Auckland Council's consultation hocus-pocus on tourism funding and bed taxes.

It started with Mayor Wayne Brown regularly appearing on radio in full get things done re-election mode. Councillor Desley Simpson wrote an opinion piece in this newspaper (Feb 28). What's going on?

Each year regional authorities consult with ratepayers about their annual budgets. Auckland Council is this year asking ratepayers about hotel bed taxes - something it has no power to implement.

The arguments put forward are flimsy, but sound plausible in parts.

First, it says events are vital for Auckland's economy. True.

Second, the council tells you that events might not come to Auckland in future without funding. This is also true. Since events drive verifiable economic benefits for host cities, making a contribution towards running costs – called subvention funding – is a legitimate use of ratepayer funds.

After a solid start, here's where the reasoning falls apart.

Auckland has no source of funding for events, it claims. Therefore [so the argument goes], central government must empower Auckland Council to impose bed taxes and spend the money on event attraction and destination marketing.

This weak claim is propped up with pure populism. Apparently the only way New Zealand can host the America's Cup again is if we give Auckland Council new powers of taxation.

Smart observers will start to smell a rat. Auckland Council has rivers of incoming cash but chooses to prioritise other things.

Back in 2017, Auckland Council provided \$53 million in funding to Ateed (Auckland Tourism Events and Economic Development). Ateed used to put around \$15m annually into event attraction. That amount is chump change out of total 2017 council revenues of \$4.12 billion – less than four-tenths of 1% and by no means excessive.

Nowadays, Auckland Council has slashed annual spending on events to around \$7m. Meanwhile, total council revenues ballooned by 62% across the same period, reaching \$6.67b in 2023.

When it comes to tourism, Auckland Council really is doing less with more – it takes way more from you in rates and spends way less on attracting world-class events.

Auckland is miles behind even the mid-size Australian states, and yet the Aussies have just 10% GST and no bed taxes.

The civic de-funding of tourism and events is a political choice that Auckland Council has made for reasons I don't fully understand. If it cannot find half of 1% of total revenues to activate the city properly, then perhaps we need new councillors?

The sources of possible funding are many – not just rates. For example, Auckland Council received a combined \$2.14b in 2023 and 2024 for selling Auckland Airport shares. This very recent tourism-related asset sale windfall could have been the catalyst to unblock event attraction funding, but councillors decided to go in a different direction.

There's money at central government level too, with \$4.1b in tourism GST collected last year, some of which could support events of national significance in Auckland.

It's not for me to list out all the wasteful Auckland Council spending over the past decade. Brown himself has done a great job of starting to get that under control.

Smart event attraction funding is never wasteful and delivers a positive return. It should be a much higher priority for Brown to dial up event attraction and give hospitality businesses some support.

The hotel sector is not against the idea of a new accommodation levy, provided it is done once and done right for all New Zealand. Accommodation providers are trying to end a three-way tourism funding deadlock between industry, central government and local government.

Hotel Council Aotearoa has repeatedly proposed collaboration with Auckland Council on this issue of critical importance to all New Zealand. Our industry-backed national scheme delivers an ongoing tourism dividend to every destination that welcomes visitors anywhere in the country, not just in Auckland.

As landing spot for 70% of international travellers, Auckland has a privileged position, but there's no good reason for an Auckland first approach to new tourism taxes. Many international tourists don't exactly choose New Zealand because of Auckland.

Auckland Council knows that an Auckland-only bed tax is simply not supported by anyone who matters in the accommodation sector. The consultation materials skim over...

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In my opinion I support the overall plan as most families struggle with transport, water and funding.

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There are often 3 utes

Over the top!

Surely reducing to one and placing a warning light system on the tray would be adequate

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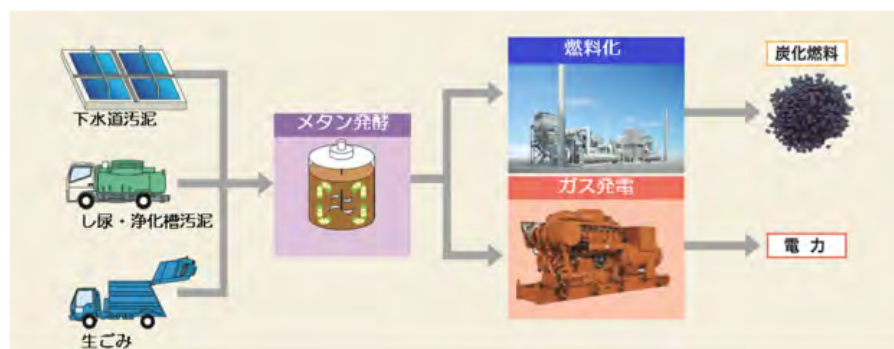
Food scraps can be use for electric power generation

## About separating food waste

In Toyohashi City, since fiscal year 2017, the Biomass Utilization Center has been conducting methane fermentation treatment of sewage sludge, human waste, septic tank sludge, and food waste, and generating electricity from the methane gas that is produced. In addition, the residue from the fermentation process is turned into carbonized fuel, so 100% of food waste is converted into energy. For this reason, we ask that you separate

your "burnable waste" from your "food waste" before bringing it out.

[Processing flow at the Biomass Utilization Center]



- By subjecting food waste to methane fermentation processing, it is possible to reduce CO2 emissions by approximately 14,000 tons per year.
- It is possible to generate approximately 6.8 million kWh of electricity per year (enough to power approximately 1,890 average households).

What is food waste?

Food waste and cooking scraps. Leftover food is also considered "food waste".

Examples: vegetables, prepared foods, fruits, grains, cooking waste, sweets, meat, seafood, used tea leaves, coffee leaves, etc.

\*Medicine, tobacco, gum, toothpaste, etc. cannot be taken out as "food waste" even if they come from the kitchen.

- [Pamphlet on sorting and collection of food waste \(PDF/2.034KB\)](#)
- [Explanation session materials on changes to waste sorting and collection from April 2017 \(PDF/656KB\)](#)

How to take out food waste

• Whenever possible, please place food waste generated at home in an inner bag and then place it in the designated garbage bag for food waste before taking it out.

• Also, if you use a draining net, you can place the draining net together in the inner bag or designated garbage bag before taking it out. • If the food waste

is dry, you can put it directly into the designated garbage bag for food waste before taking it out. • Please be careful of the following: ☐ Drain water as much as possible before taking it out. ☐ Do not wrap food waste in newspaper. (Do not use paper bags or newspapers.) ☐ Do not put cigarette butts in the garbage. ☐ Do not put bottles or cans in the garbage.

## Food waste collection day

Collection is twice a week (Monday and Thursday or Tuesday and Friday).

\*Starting in April 2018, food waste will be collected on the same day as burnable waste.

Burnable waste and food waste are collected by different collection vehicles. Please separate your waste by type and place it at the garbage station.

## Designated garbage bags for food waste

In April 2016, Toyohashi City introduced a designated garbage bag system for burnable garbage and crushable garbage, and we ask for your cooperation in taking out your garbage. We have also introduced a designated garbage bag system for food waste, and we ask for your cooperation in taking out your garbage. The designated bags are as follows. Sizes : 2L, 5L, 10L, 15L, 30L \*The garbage type is classified by the color of the bag, so there are no letters such as "for food waste" written on them.



Like the bags of burnable garbage and crushable garbage, they are sold at market price at supermarkets, convenience stores, drugstores, etc. in the city.

## Food waste sorting list

Item	Suitability	Item	Suitability	Item	Suitability
a		Stew roux	○	macaroni	○
candy	○	jam	○	mayonnaise	○
Bean paste	○	spaghetti	○	Barley tea pack	○
Instant coffee	○	gelatin	○	or	
Udon	○	jelly	○	Vegetable waste	○
Sea urchin shell	○	Somen	○	Vegetable core	○
Pickled plum seeds	○	Ta		Coconut shell	○
Shrimp shell	○	Bamboo shoot skin	○	and others	
Edamame skin	○	Seeds (vegetables and fruits)	○	Frozen meat and fish	○
mosquito		Egg shell	○	circle	
shell	○	Onion skin	○	Wakame seaweed	○
potato starch	○	Used tea leaves	○	Wasabi	○
Crab shell	○	seasoning	○	others	
Moldy food	○	Tea Bag	○	Aluminum foil	×
Curry roux	○	Corn husk	○	Hand towels, dish towels	×
Drytack	○	N		Paper towels	×

Dry goods	○	Raw rice	○	Gum	×
caramel	○	meat	○	Kitchen paper	×
Rotten food	○	Rice bran starter	○	Solidified edible oil	×
Fruit peel	○	teeth		Vegetation (dead leaves, branches, etc.)	×
Fruit core	○	Pineapple skin	○	Medicines	×
Walnut shells	○	butter	○	Weeds, cut flowers	×
Coffee grounds, coffee husks	○	Bread dough	○	Cooking oil, tempura oil	×
Coffee filters	○	Breadcrumbs	○	Bamboo skewers	×
Rice	○	Peanut shells	○	Tobacco	×
flour	○	Pet food	○	Toothpaste	×
Rice bran	○	Baby Food	○	Lunch box shells	×
difference		Bones (animals such as cows and pigs)	○	toothpick	×
fish	○	Bones (fish, chicken)	○	wrap	×
sugar	○	Ma		Disposable chopsticks	×
salt	○	margarine	○		

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1. Enhancing Council Efficiency and Value for Money

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The proposal to introduce a bed night visitor levy aims to support major events and promote Auckland as a tourist destination. However, several factors may deter visitors and residents from engaging with the city center:

- **Safety Concerns:** Issues such as increased crime and anti-social behavior have been highlighted, affecting public perception and enjoyment of the city center.
- **Accessibility and Infrastructure:** Challenges related to transportation, parking, and the prevalence of construction scaffolding make accessing the city cumbersome and less appealing.

Furthermore, considering the high costs associated with traveling to and within New Zealand, it is important to clearly identify and target the demographics we aim to attract to Auckland.

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The current public transport system faces challenges that impact efficiency and user satisfaction. Exploring privatization could potentially streamline operations and improve service delivery.



Additionally, expanding the city's perimeters and incentivising businesses to establish offices in suburban areas could alleviate congestion and promote balanced regional development.

#### 5. Crime Control: Strengthening Security Measures

Personal experiences, such as the recent break-in at my husband's car resulting in the loss of items with sentimental value, highlight the need for robust security measures. While we installed cameras, they failed to capture useful footage due to sensitivity issues. Investing in advanced surveillance technology is costly, and there is a prevailing perception that law enforcement responses are inadequate. Implementing widespread camera surveillance, as seen in countries like China, South Korea, and Singapore, could serve as a deterrent and aid in crime reduction.

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apartments are fetch higher prices because the are in demand by aging baby boomers but values appear to give this no credence.

My previous objections to last revaluation were totally disregarded. Values need to look inside properties, not just a visual inspection from outside.

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New Zealand Needs to URGENTLY REINSTATE OUR MARSDEN POINT NEW ZEALAND'S ONLY OIL REFINERY & get it Fully Operational Once Again ASAP!

40% of New Zealand's FUEL Requirements are Pumped Through The RAP Refinery to Auckland Pipeline to Wiri where it's Distributed around Auckland Region & out too Auckland Airport (used to be via the Wiri Airport Pipeline but I hear that's been Also Shut Down???? Why ???? ) as Marsden Point Oil Refinery used to make 89% of New Zealand's HIGH QUALITY JET A1 FUEL & most of that was used through Auckland Airport !

Then there's the 120000 Tonnes of HIGH QUALITY BITUMEN Made at MARSDEN POINT OIL REFINERY Now Totally IMPORTED & just look at the POOR QUALITY Now !

Looking forward to hearing back from you Mayor Wayne Brown

New Zealand without FUEL SECURITY 📱 📱 📱 is going to be a Very Sad Place !!!!





#8546

## MARSDEN POINT OIL REFINERY

Why is Marsden Point Oil Refinery Important?  
If we lose the refinery, we lose our **independence**  
as a Nation.

**No Fuel means:**

- ✗ **No Food** production
- ✗ **No Transport** or travel.
- ✗ **No Economy** causing default on international debt.

Shutting down and dismantling our refinery makes us 100% reliant on South-East Asian refineries. It's taking **18 - 38 days for fuel to get to NZ** from overseas refineries. If the shipping of Fuel were to suddenly stop, we'd have less than **1 month to prepare** for a **no fuel scenario**. We'd have **fuel rationing** implemented within 24 hours - likely restrictions will hardest hit private vehicles and small businesses not involved in food distribution.

**Fuel price would immediately skyrocket.**

Marsden refinery normally shields NZ from fuel price shocks due to a large on-site holding capacity of crude and can **redirect crude from Taranaki** to maintain a proportion of our fuel supply - certainly enough to keep our emergency services, military and food production and distribution running.

Get in touch if you would like to join our team from anywhere in New Zealand. **We need you!**

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Please Join us in Buying 100+ Shares  
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**Link** <https://sharesies.com/r/BQ9QB6>

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### THE DANGERS

Without oil and its finished products **our economy will come to a grinding and disastrous halt**, the resulting collapse of industry **will affect food production, transportation of goods and services, the building and construction industry will come to a sudden stop.**

Without a ready supply of refined oil products New Zealand will end up in the situation where it will be **forced to default on its international debt.**

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## WHAT'S THE POINT OF MARSDEN POINT?

### MARSDEN POINT OIL REFINERY

On 01/04/2022 the company formerly known as Refining New Zealand Ltd. **closed down New Zealand's biggest refinery** (Marsden point) and no longer plans to refine oil onshore.

**Marsden Point was one of the Top 10 refineries in the world.** The refined fuel products produced **were some of the finest in the world and the** nastier fuels that are now being imported are of inferior specifications and grades. With Higher Prices!

### ENVIRONMENTALLY IRRESPONSIBLE

Previous to this the refinery was supplying **100,000 - 120,000 Tonnes of High Quality Bitumen**, plus around **70% of New Zealand's finished fuel** using **35 shipments per year**. Now it will require **175 + shipments** to supply just the fuel market. There are other products aside from fuel that came out of the refinery. **Sulphur for fertilizers and carbon dioxide for food** will now need to be shipped in along side other petrochemicals that are used in industry.

This will add to **environmental damage** and carbon creation.



The Purchase of Z-Energy by AMPOL Australia forced the CLOSURE of NZ Refining Ltd.

## ERRORS MADE



The **Minister for energy** Megan Woods falsely stated that the refinery could not use New Zealand oil to supply the 4-5% of energy requirements to meet basic emergency needs in NZ, without a major overhaul costing **\$100's Millions**.

**Refinery sources and experts** told the MBIE that the refinery can in fact supply up to **20% of New Zealand's energy needs** refining exclusively **Taranaki light crude oil** with some minor reconfigurations to the refinery itself.

**Marsden Point produced 135,000bpd.**

The **refinery is able** to produce in excess of 10 billion liters of fuel per year in an **emergency situation** using **exclusively New Zealand oil**.

## ISN'T DECARBONIZATION GOOD?

Depends who you listen to, yes **the fumes from cars are not healthy** and there most likely are better fuels on the horizon.

The simple fact is that **we do not have them available to us today**, they are not freely flowing and they are still incredibly **expensive to manufacture**.

**Carbon dioxide within itself is not a bad gas and it is required by all vegetation & human life on earth to thrive**, many scientists argue over climate science.

“**MULTI NATIONAL COMPANIES DO NOT ARGUE OVER CLIMATE SCIENCE**”

**BP oil was the first company to invent the "carbon footprint"** simply because it is good for business

They can make themselves look environmentally responsible while charging you more money for your fuel.

**Climate change is really good business for big companies** and it is making them exceedingly wealthy.

**\*Operation Good Oil encourages** every living being to research the information printed on this pamphlet for themselves."



NO FUEL = NO EARNING

**Can You Survive On**

**MARSDEN POINT  
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**Had 60 Day's Crude Oil  
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**Here in NEW ZEALAND !**

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**GENERAL PUBLIC SHAREHOLDER OPTIONS AVAILABLE!**

## **Basically What Patriotic Kiwi's Need to Do to GET OUR FUEL SECURITY BACK!**

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**The General Public Shareholder's Presently Own 61.2% of the Shares in CHI Once we get Over 65% Then we can make a Move too Replace the Board of Directors & Senior Management with Qualified People who Want to Operate Once Again Our HIGH QUALITY, Fully Operational OIL REFINERY at MARSDEN POINT Whangarei! Our Government's told us that after the CLOSURE Back in**

**early 2022 that the Refinery was Decommissioned & Couldn't be REINSTATED & that they were Selling Off the HYDRO CRACKER too US-based SEADRA ENERGY Incorporated, who were going to Remove it along with Other Redundant Refinery Equipment! But Now they are trying to Tell us No they Need to Keep this Plant Here in NZ at MARSDEN POINT 161 use in their Proposed New**

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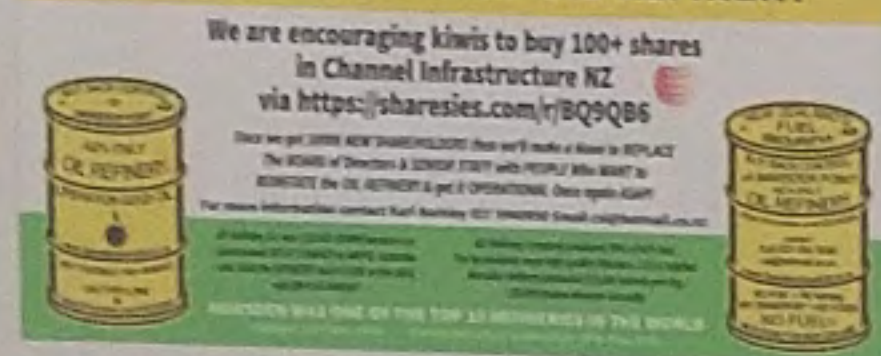
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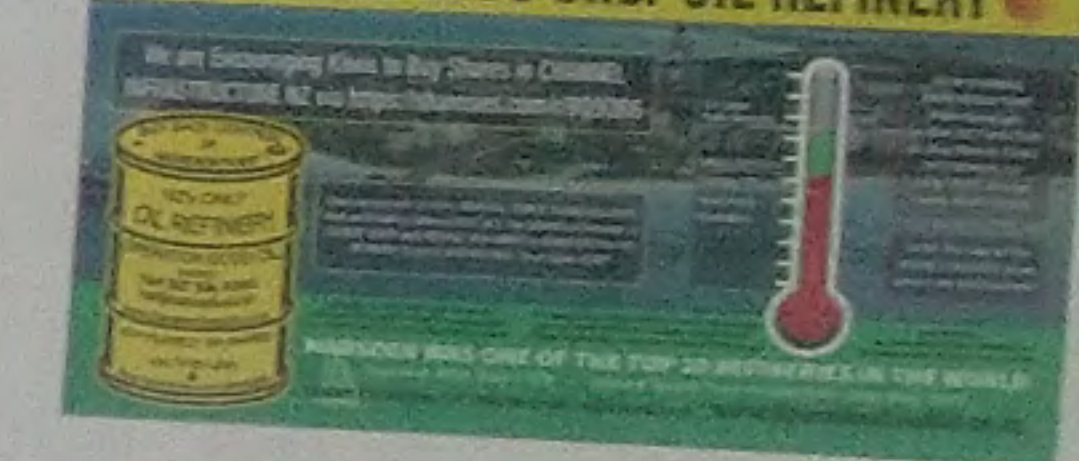
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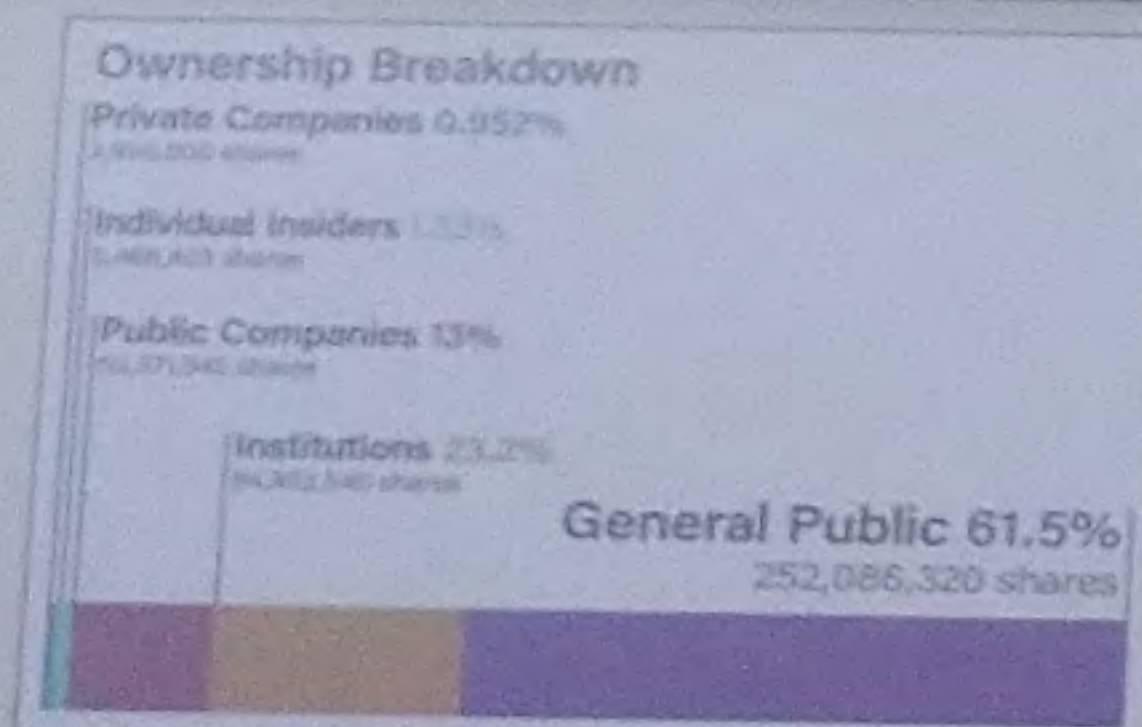
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Tēnā koe,

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A steering group was formed along with a kaumātua taumata to oversee and guide this process. The organisation was accepted by marae as a representative cultural-collective on 13 January 2018 and became a Charitable Trust on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

The collective reinforces marae as recognised centres of cultural excellence and enterprise for our communities. By working together to share skills, knowledge and build whakawhanaungatanga (relationships) creating opportunities and transformational change for whānau, hapū and iwi.

**Our Marae Collective total 34 membership marae made up of mana whenua, Mataawaka, taura here, kaupapa and educational marae.**

Each marae have their own individual marae specific moemoeā (vision) that they aspire to achieve maintaining their own mana motuhake. Te Kotahi a Tāmaki – Marae Collective looks to support and accelerate that journey, to thrive and build resilience.

Te Kotahi a Tāmaki appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the Auckland Council **Annual Plan 2025/26**. We acknowledge the challenges faced in balancing financial sustainability with the needs of Tāmaki Makaurau communities. Our submission highlights areas of **direct impact on marae and whānau** and includes recommendations to ensure Māori submission and voices are prioritised in decision-making.

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# TE KOTAHĪ A TĀMĀKĪ

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E tautokotia ana e mātau ngā marae kia whakawhanaketia i roto ō rātau hiahia hai marae.  
We are bold in our support of marae excellence to grow and expand.

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He ohu mātau e whakahaere ana i te tūāhanga toitū me ngā angitu mō ngā marae. We are a collective that drives sustainable infrastructure and opportunities for marae.  
E mōhiotia whānuitia ana ngā marae hai tino wāhanga o Aotearoa me ngā hāpori maha i whakaratongia e mātau. Marae are recognised as an essential and intrinsic part of Aotearoa and the many communities they serve.

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## TE ATA WHAKATAU KOWHIRINGA STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

### GOVERNANCE

- Define and review the komiti governance roles and responsibilities.
- Strengthen and enhance komiti composition and skills.
- Develop and grow the governance skills of marae members.

### INFRASTRUCTURE STRONG WHARE

- Develop and implement marae outcomes and delivery framework.
- Procurement and commissioning opportunities within a marae delivery model.
- Marae and staff training to drive growth and expansion.
- Marae booking system partnership is implemented.

### FINANCIAL PUTEA

- Diversify our finding partners to with an increase in income streams.
- Implementation of a cultural investment strategies and partnerships.
- Investment in marae innovation programmes.

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- Impactful insightful comms that tell our stories as marae.
- Develop and implement te tepu a marae lead action group.
- Advocate for marae through submissions.
- Publish our stories and insights with research and media partners.

### EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION

- Marae entrepreneurship program.
- Present at international conferences.
- Delivery of a triannual national marae innovation conference.

### VALUED PARTNERSHIP

- Implementation of marae membership engagement strategy.
- New partnerships that support the driving of shared outcomes.
- Formal partnerships with key partners ie mana whenua, marae members, crown and corporate groups.

**What matters to us? In our recent 2025 marae survey these are the major themes derived from marae priorities.**

Social, Cultural Environmental, economic and operational sustainability

Governance Training, Growth and Development

Construction and Infrastructure

Te Reo me ona tikanga

Whanau engagement, wellbeing, hononga and whakapapa

Marae Emergency Preparedness

**Challenges faced include;**

Not having a diverse range of operational skill sets, competencies and succession planning

Completing construction and infrastructure builds

Resilience adaptation and Financial sustainability

Operational policies and processes

Upskilling and training needs and requirements

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## **1. Public Transport**

**Impact:**

- Many of our whānau rely on **affordable and accessible** public transport for work, education, and community participation.
- The **cost of travel** remains a barrier, and current services often do not align with the needs of marae-based activities or Māori-led events.

**Recommendations:**

Retain and expand the **\$50 public transport fare cap** to ensure affordability.

Improve **bus and train routes** to better serve marae and Māori communities.

Prioritise **culturally appropriate engagement** with marae and Hāpori Māori on transport planning.

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## **2. Bed Levy Tax**

**Impact:**

- The proposed **visitor levy** could provide much-needed funding for events that celebrate Māori culture and economic development.
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**Recommendations:**

Ringfence a **portion of the levy** for Māori tourism, cultural events, and marae-based initiatives.

Establish a **Māori advisory panel** to oversee the distribution of funds.

Ensure **equitable access** to funding for Māori organisations and businesses.

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### 3. CCO Reforms (Auckland Transport, Eke Panuku, Tātaki Auckland Unlimited)

**Impact:**

- Current **CCO structures** limit **Māori governance input**, leading to decisions that often do not align with Te Tiriti obligations.
- Marae and Māori businesses struggle to access **economic opportunities** created through these entities.

**Recommendations:**

Increase **Māori representation** on CCO boards to uphold Te Tiriti commitments.

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**Impact:**

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**Recommendations:**

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Commit to **equitable funding** for Māori-led community initiatives.

Increase **investment in local marae infrastructure** through the Local Board Fairer Funding model.

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### 5. Major Events & Economic Growth

### Impact:

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### Recommendations:

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Partner with marae to **support rangatahi training and Māori business growth**.

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### Impact:

- **Whānau safety** in public spaces, transport, and housing remains a key concern.
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### Recommendations:

Increase **funding for Māori-led community safety initiatives**, including Māori Wardens and marae.

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Invest in **Māori mental health and whānau support services**.

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The civic de-funding of tourism and events is a political choice that Auckland Council has made for reasons I don't fully understand. If it cannot find half of 1% of total revenues to activate the city properly, then perhaps we need new councillors?

The sources of possible funding are many – not just rates. For example, Auckland Council received a combined \$2.14b in 2023 and 2024 for selling Auckland Airport shares. This very recent tourism-related asset sale windfall could have been the catalyst to unblock event attraction funding, but councillors decided to go in a different direction.

There's money at central government level too, with \$4.1b in tourism GST collected last year, some of which could support events of national significance in Auckland.

It's not for me to list out all the wasteful Auckland Council spending over the past decade. Brown himself has done a great job of starting to get that under control.

Smart event attraction funding is never wasteful and delivers a positive return. It should be a much higher priority for Brown to dial up event attraction and give hospitality businesses some support.

The hotel sector is not against the idea of a new accommodation levy, provided it is done once and done right for all New Zealand. Accommodation providers are trying to end a three-way tourism funding deadlock between industry, central government and local government.

Hotel Council Aotearoa has repeatedly proposed collaboration with Auckland Council on this issue of critical importance to all New Zealand. Our industry-backed national scheme delivers an ongoing tourism dividend to every destination that welcomes visitors anywhere in the country, not just in Auckland.

As landing spot for 70% of international travellers, Auckland has a privileged position, but there's no good reason for an "Auckland first" approach to new tourism taxes. Many international tourists don't exactly choose New Zealand because of Auckland.

Auckland Council knows that an Auckland-only bed tax is simply not supported by anyone who matters in the accommodation sector. The consultation materials skim over what industry wants.

Brown sometimes declares he's "not a tourism guy", but credit is due for his great work raising the profile of Auckland and looking to attract more airlines. As someone who admits to being a passionate tourism guy, I believe Auckland is on the wrong path when it comes to attracting events. Brown has a chance to fix Phil Goff's mistakes and restore funding quickly.

Here's what I'll be saying to the Auckland Council consultation on event funding: "If event attraction and destination marketing is as important as you say it is, please stop wasting money elsewhere. Take a tiny part of your annual budget and return tourism funding to where it was a decade ago. This stuff is important to all Aucklanders and it drives future economic growth. Work as partners with industry on a sustainable national plan."

If he quickly restored Auckland's event attraction funding to what it was 10 years ago, then no-nonsense Brown would immediately become a tourism and hospitality industry hero.



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In discussions with colleagues at work, we all agree that any increase in rates and water charges is simply unaffordable. The cost of living is already overwhelming, particularly with the high mortgage rates. Rent has become outrageously expensive, and essential expenses like food, petrol, insurance, GP visits, dentist appointments, power, and water are all at unsustainable levels. Living



in Auckland is rapidly becoming impossible for many, particularly for the elderly, who are struggling to afford basic necessities on the meager pensions they receive. This is a harsh reality, and many are being forced into situations where they can't even afford enough food to survive.

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Auckland Council needs to think more strategically. It's time to focus on real-life experiences, not just statistics on paper. Increasing costs for struggling families will only deepen the suffering of those already struggling to make ends meet. The rising rates of drug use, alcohol abuse, theft, and violence are a direct result of people in pain, trying to cope with an increasingly unaffordable way of life.

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Please concentrate on upgrading your roading network and stop building bike lanes and raised pedestrian crossings

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Support most

### Tell us why

prioritising investment into water is important , especially given the high arsenic levels detected last year, and the impact on pipelines during the flooding that occurred. I think fairer funding is important , and I think that there could be increased funding for lower-socioeconomic communities.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

the idea of funding seems important but may impact tourism, especially for those who may be financially challenged. perhaps, there could be a regulation where only accommodation that is above a certain amount per night is given a long. others who aren't financially challenged may also not want to travel to auckland , reducing tourism - should do it for overseas visitors.

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increasing property tax rates will impact those who are struggling to pay off their mortgages or those from lower-socioeconomic families. Increasing fees put towards development of auckland and tourism is a really good idea

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Albert-Eden

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Support most

#### **Tell us why**

it is a good idea and i agree with revitalising communities. action plans for events such as floods is also a good idea. recycling centres sound important, but it may be hard for people to take time and be incentivised to attend these workshops. a thing I believe should be high importance is providing more government house and subsidies. many sitting on street and it is very sad

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**Tell us why**

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Albert-Eden

## **Albert-Eden Local Board Priorities**

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### **4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

Support all

#### **Tell us why**

Continue to provide funding to support our community activities, provide free venues, and hold more social activities, health activities and learning exchanges.

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Devonport-Takapuna

## Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Priorities

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**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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Minimal effort would make a big difference.

(I swim from there most mornings.)

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**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

- Please support the Pupuke Birdsong project

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**Which three of our services are most important to you? (select up to three)**

Environmental restoration, volunteers and pest control activities



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### **Tell us here**

- Please re-establish North West Wildlink as a practical goal to help manage North Auckland's ecological work.

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**Tell us why**

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### **Local board priorities**

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Devonport-Takapuna, Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki

## Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Priorities

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### **Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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**4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

**Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

**How important are these priorities to you?**

**Support the youth networks in our area to help our young people thrive, and to have a voice in local board decision-making**

**Support and advocate for further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation through methods such as re-naturalisation, or daylighting**

**Support the development and increased use of our local parks, reserves, and sports fields by being available for people of all abilities, ages, and socio-economic backgrounds to enjoy in a range of leisure and recreation activities**

**Encourage local business associations to continue to support business development, to contribute to safer, more vibrant, and attractive town centres, that continue to meet the changing needs of our residents**

**Support and fund efforts to mitigate and adapt reserves, parks and public assets from the effects of climate change through initiatives such as the Urban Ngahere (Forest) Strategy**

**Contribute funding for the development of a vision and plan for the future of the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct.**



**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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**North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct**

Our community gave clear feedback in the long-term plan consultation that they would like to see the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct used more effectively for the local community. The Upper Harbour and Hibiscus and Bays Local Boards are jointly leading a working group of local representatives to develop a vision and plan for the future. The work will need both regional and local funding and our local board will need to contribute.

**Do you think we should contribute funding to the development of a vision and plan for the future of North Harbour Stadium and the Domain Precinct?**

**Tell us why****Kaipātiki Local Board Priorities**

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**Community development, including events, community safety, and a greater activation of our community houses, community centres, and libraries**

**Increased funding in the Kaipātiki Community Grants Programme, so we can support and help a wider reach of our community through their activities**

**Māori outcomes, through investment in engagement, events, and fostering authentic relationships with Māori.**

**Youth outcomes, through conversations with young people to identify local activities and services that interest them**

**Increased sport and recreation opportunities, through grants to organisations to maintain or improve their assets, or to secure community use of non-council owned facilities**

**Environmental protection and restoration, including working with our local environmental groups to increase their impact**

Very important

**Maintenance, including environmentally friendly open space management, building maintenance, refuse collection, bush track maintenance, and removal of aging pine trees**

**Compliance, in the areas of building, illegal dumping, noise, animal control, and overnight stays on reserves**

**Pools and leisure service enhancements and affordability**

**Sport and recreation facility planning to understand the sport and recreation facility needs of Kaipātiki, to guide future investment**

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With our burgeoning population and shrinking green spaces the priority to protect our environment has never been more important

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Henderson-Massey



## Henderson-Massey Local Board Priorities

The following are the key projects and activities we plan to deliver next year, and any key changes to services.

4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

### Tell us why

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### How important are these priorities to you?

**Working with the community on signature events with the intent for the community to take the lead**

**Engaging mana whenua, Māori and in collaboration with Te Kete Rukuruku, creating Te Ao Māori activations for whanau that incorporate te reo, tikanga and supporting the area's Pūrakau (Māori history)**

**Expanding youth voice initiatives to academic students in the local board area**

**Work on plans to upgrade Catherine Plaza**

**Continue to support water quality initiatives including the Rivercare group's work in Te Atatū Peninsula, Love Your Streams (EcoMatters) and Ngā Puna Manaaki Īnanga, a project to identify, protect and enhance Īnanga spawning habitats across the Henderson-Massey local board area**

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Tell us why

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Support

**Tell us why**

### **Question 3: Changes to other rates, fees and charges**

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Do not support

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**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Henderson-Massey



## Henderson-Massey Local Board Priorities

The following are the key projects and activities we plan to deliver next year, and any key changes to services.

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**Support all**

**Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

**How important are these priorities to you?**

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**Engaging mana whenua, Māori and in collaboration with Te Kete Rukuruku, creating Te Ao Māori activations for whanau that incorporate te reo, tikanga and supporting the area's Pūrakau (Māori history)**

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**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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Other

### Tell us why

Remove this sort of biased introduction in the Annual Plan:

English first

No pigeon maori words in the English section

Who are the visitors?

The Contents should be in English first

Do not fund and items catering only to Maori:

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## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Henderson-Massey, Kaipātiki, Ōtara-Papatoetoe

### **Henderson-Massey Local Board Priorities**

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**Engaging mana whenua, Māori and in collaboration with Te Kete Rukuruku, creating Te Ao Māori activations for whanau that incorporate te reo, tikanga and supporting the area's Pūrakau (Māori history)**

Less important

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**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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## **Kaipātiki Local Board Priorities**

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### **4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

#### **Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### **How important are these priorities to you?**

**Community development, including events, community safety, and a greater activation of our community houses, community centres, and libraries**

**Increased funding in the Kaipātiki Community Grants Programme, so we can support and help a wider reach of our community through their activities**

**Māori outcomes, through investment in engagement, events, and fostering authentic relationships with Māori.**

Less important

**Youth outcomes, through conversations with young people to identify local activities and services that interest them**

**Increased sport and recreation opportunities, through grants to organisations to maintain or improve their assets, or to secure community use of non-council owned facilities**

**Environmental protection and restoration, including working with our local environmental groups to increase their impact**

**Maintenance, including environmentally friendly open space management, building maintenance, refuse collection, bush track maintenance, and removal of aging pine trees**

**Compliance, in the areas of building, illegal dumping, noise, animal control, and overnight stays on reserves**

**Pools and leisure service enhancements and affordability**



**Sport and recreation facility planning to understand the sport and recreation facility needs of Kaipātiki, to guide future investment**

**Business support and engagement across Kaipātiki.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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## **Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Priorities**

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**4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

**Tell us why**

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How important are these priorities to you?

**Ensuring Māori culture and the values of mātauranga Māori are visible in public spaces**

Less important

**Addressing safety concerns in neighbourhoods, common areas and town centres**

**Delivering on increased local economic outcomes**

**Supporting small businesses to act on environmental sustainability**

**Progressing the planning for options to address community service needs in Old Papatoetoe**

**Supporting local environment groups to work collaboratively with community volunteers in efforts to clean, manage and plant our local reserves and open spaces**

**Planning for the delivery of facilities at Manukau Sports Bowl**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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**Manukau Sports Bowl**

**Do you support prioritising the planning for delivery of facilities at Manukau Sports Bowl?**

(This may include exploring alternate sources of revenue, such as a targeted rate in future years)

**Tell us why**

**Hunters Corner Business Improvement District**

For the 2024/2025 financial year, the Governing Body did not set a targeted rate for the Hunters Corner Business Improvement District. This was due to the Hunters Corner Town Centre Society Inc (HTCTS) not complying with the BID Policy. If the HTCTS remains non-compliant with the BID Policy by April 2025, council will not set the rate for 2025/2026.

**Do you have any comments on the Hunters Corner Business Improvement District?**

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**Tell us here**

Do not fund Rainbow and Pride events

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No new cycle ways

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Remove all speed humps

Return speed limits to what they were 2019

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### **Local board priorities**

#### **4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Hibiscus and Bays, Upper Harbour



## Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Priorities

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#### Tell us why

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

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**Support and fund efforts to mitigate and adapt reserves, parks and public assets from the effects of climate change through initiatives such as the Urban Ngahere (Forest) Strategy**

**Contribute funding for the development of a vision and plan for the future of the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct.**

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**North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct**



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**Do you think we should contribute funding to the development of a vision and plan for the future of North Harbour Stadium and the Domain Precinct?**

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**Tell us why**

Definitely Yes. We need to keep that facility.

## **Upper Harbour Local Board Priorities**

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## Howick Local Board Priorities

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Support all

#### Tell us why

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#### How important are these priorities to you?

**Support local businesses and Business Improvement Districts on crime prevention and safety**

**Work with the Youth Council, Business East Tāmaki, business and tourism sector, and others, on youth upskilling, including increasing funding for the Young Enterprise Scheme**

**Review and refresh the Howick Local Board Heritage Plan and Tourism Plan**

**Investigate options to provide a dump station at Half Moon Bay**

**Trial a surveillance programme to help curb illegal dumping in Flat Bush**

**Develop initiatives for live monitoring, capturing and documenting the levels of poison/toxicity in our local waterways to increase awareness and enable enforcement**

**Investigate options on introducing a targeted rate to help fund the delivery of the Flat Bush Library, Community Centre, and Pool and Leisure Centre.**

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### Tell us why

I agree with the proposed annual plan.

### Question 2: Destination management and major events



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**Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

## **Question 3: Changes to other rates, fees and charges**

**3A. What do you think of the waste management proposal?**

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Support

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*(Please be clear which proposal you are talking about)*

## **Question 4:**

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**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Howick



## Howick Local Board Priorities

The following are the key projects and activities we plan to deliver next year, and any key changes to services.

### **4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

Support all

#### **Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### **How important are these priorities to you?**

**Support local businesses and Business Improvement Districts on crime prevention and safety**

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**Investigate options on introducing a targeted rate to help fund the delivery of the Flat Bush Library, Community Centre, and Pool and Leisure Centre.**

#### **Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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**Which three of our services are most important to you? (select up to three)**

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### What is your opinion on our proposed annual plan?

Support most

### Tell us why

Yes to bed night levy, no to Pakuranga Busway

### Question 2: Destination management and major events

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**Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?**

Support

**Tell us why**

It's good accountability and will balance our books. Also enables us to support other community projects.

## **Question 3: Changes to other rates, fees and charges**

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### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

I don't know

#### Tell us why

Bed night visitor levy provides good accountability for those in short stay. Although we don't need a Pakuranga busway.

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#### How important are these priorities to you?

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Support most

Tell us why

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**Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?**

Support

#### **Tell us why**

We support community organizations with funding subsidies and hope that the government will continue to provide financial support so that our cultural, dance, health and other community activities can continue.

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Support

### **3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

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Support most

**Tell us why**

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### **Tell us here**

Please continue to provide free venue support to our association and add more activities and health programs for the elderly

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Support most

Tell us why

### Question 2: Destination management and major events



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Support

**Tell us why**

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**3A. What do you think of the waste management proposal?**

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Support

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

*(Please be clear which proposal you are talking about)*

## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Kaipātiki

## Kaipātiki Local Board Priorities

The local board has additional funding in 2025/2026, but there are unavoidable increases in the cost of existing services which will need to be considered alongside the additional funding.

### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

Support most

**Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

**How important are these priorities to you?**

**Community development, including events, community safety, and a greater activation of our community houses, community centres, and libraries**

**Increased funding in the Kaipātiki Community Grants Programme, so we can support and help a wider reach of our community through their activities**

**Māori outcomes, through investment in engagement, events, and fostering authentic relationships with Māori.**

**Youth outcomes, through conversations with young people to identify local activities and services that interest them**

**Increased sport and recreation opportunities, through grants to organisations to maintain or improve their assets, or to secure community use of non-council owned facilities**

**Environmental protection and restoration, including working with our local environmental groups to increase their impact**

**Maintenance, including environmentally friendly open space management, building maintenance, refuse collection, bush track maintenance, and removal of aging pine trees**

**Compliance, in the areas of building, illegal dumping, noise, animal control, and overnight stays on reserves**

**Pools and leisure service enhancements and affordability**

**Sport and recreation facility planning to understand the sport and recreation facility needs of Kaipātiki, to guide future investment**

**Business support and engagement across Kaipātiki.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

## **Question 5: Other feedback**

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Some rate incensement for rubbish (by cancelling tags) might not be fair.

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Support all

Tell us why

### Question 2: Destination management and major events

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Support

**Tell us why**

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I don't know

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

*(Please be clear which proposal you are talking about)*

### **Question 4:**

#### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Other

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

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### Question 4:

#### Local board priorities

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu

## Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Priorities

The following are the key projects and activities we plan to deliver next year, and any key changes to services.

### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

Do not support most

#### Tell us why

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### How important are these priorities to you?

**Explore a site for a recycling centre**

**Local playground improvements in areas like Mangere Bridge**

**Maintain local road safety with limited budgets**

**More support to volunteer networks**

**Push to deliver local business initiatives.**

#### Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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#### Which three of our services are most important to you? (select up to three)

#### Māngere East Village Business Improvement District (BID) programme

A BID is a local economic development initiative run by a business association under the Auckland Council BID Policy (2022). It involves businesses in a defined area paying a targeted rate to fund specific services or projects in their BID boundary. The Māngere East Village Business Association Society Inc. (MEVBA) has failed to meet key BID Policy requirements, including accountability reporting, AGM minutes, strategic plan, and appointing a BID Manager. MEVBA also breached its

constitution and did not notify the council of non-compliance. The Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board is now considering terminating the BID programme and targeted rate, with the possibility of re-establishing a compliant BID programme in the future if conditions are met.

**Do you think we should end the Māngere East Village Business Improvement District (BID) programme and associated BID targeted rate?**

**Tell us why**

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Support all

### Tell us why

I agree.

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**Tell us why**

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## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Manurewa



## Manurewa Local Board Priorities

The local board has additional funding in 2025/2026, but there are unavoidable increases in the cost of existing services which will need to be considered alongside the additional funding.

### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

Support all

#### Tell us why

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### How important are these priorities to you?

**Increasing the levels of service for maintenance and repair of all assets across buildings, parks, open spaces and sports fields, town centre cleaning, street litter bin emptying, vegetation clearance, and berm mowing works**

**Improving sports fields including maintenance, sand-carpeting and lighting**

**Identifying ways to support the council's response to roaming dogs**

**Boosting the amount of funding available for community grants so more projects and initiatives can be delivered by community, arts and sports groups**

**Expanding the number of funded initiatives that respond to the needs and aspirations of children and young people**

**Developing tailored community partnerships with key groups, organisations and networks where their interests and priorities are aligned to outcomes in the Manurewa Local Board Plan 2027**

**Providing the Pacific community with capacity support, and a grant to undertake feasibility and concept plans to deliver the Pacific hub on Clendon Reserve**

**Scaling up the work being delivered to achieve environmental outcomes**

**Investigating the need to extend the opening hours in our community facilities such as the two libraries, the pool and leisure centre and Nathan Homestead**

**Funding initiatives that stimulate economic growth and generate prosperity in Manurewa.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

**Fenced Dog Exercise Areas**

**Do you think we should investigate providing fenced dog exercise areas?**

**Tell us why**

## **Question 5: Other feedback**

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### Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki



## **Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Priorities**

The local board has additional funding in 2025/2026, but there are unavoidable increases in the cost of existing services which will need to be considered alongside the additional funding.

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**Tell us why**

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

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**Continuing to build the capacity and capability of local community and sporting groups through our strategic partnerships programme**

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**Empowering community groups and organisations to deliver community events through sustainable funding models**

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**Consider a review of Te Oro Music and Arts Centre, to ensure it remains welcoming and responsive to the community's changing needs.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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Support most

Tell us why

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**Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?**

Do not support

**Tell us why**

## **Question 3: Changes to other rates, fees and charges**

**3A. What do you think of the waste management proposal?**

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Do not support

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

*(Please be clear which proposal you are talking about)*

## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki



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### Tell us why

everything but the bed night visitor levy sounds good.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

i dont see why we're charging visitors even if htey dont notice the difference in price when it wont benefit them

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Support

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the replacement of the rubbish collection service seems more effective than the system in place now.

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### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**



Ōrākei

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too many lines to write on

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## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

#### **4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Ōtara-Papatoetoe



## Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Priorities

The following are the key projects and activities we plan to deliver next year, and any key changes to services

### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

#### Tell us why

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Very important

#### **Addressing safety concerns in neighbourhoods, common areas and town centres**

Very important

#### **Delivering on increased local economic outcomes**

Very important

#### **Supporting small businesses to act on environmental sustainability**

Very important

#### **Progressing the planning for options to address community service needs in Old Papatoetoe**

Very important

#### **Supporting local environment groups to work collaboratively with community volunteers in efforts to clean, manage and plant our local reserves and open spaces**

Very important

#### **Planning for the delivery of facilities at Manukau Sports Bowl**

Very important

#### **Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

#### **Manukau Sports Bowl**

#### **Do you support prioritising the planning for delivery of facilities at Manukau Sports Bowl?**

(This may include exploring alternate sources of revenue, such as a targeted rate in future years)

I don't know

**Tell us why****Hunters Corner Business Improvement District**

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**Do you have any comments on the Hunters Corner Business Improvement District?**

Should pay rate to upgrade the area

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**Which three of our services are most important to you? (select up to three)**

Arts and community centres – programme and activation, Community programmes and services, Libraries and Pools and Leisure facilities – opening hours and services

**Which three of our services are least important to you? (select up to three)**

Environmental restoration, volunteers, and pest control activities, Local events, Youth activities

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**Tell us why**

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### **Question 4:**

#### **Local board priorities**

##### **4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Ōtara-Papatoetoe

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Very important

#### **Delivering on increased local economic outcomes**

Very important

#### **Supporting small businesses to act on environmental sustainability**

Very important

#### **Progressing the planning for options to address community service needs in Old Papatoetoe**

Fairly important

#### **Supporting local environment groups to work collaboratively with community volunteers in efforts to clean, manage and plant our local reserves and open spaces**

Very important

#### **Planning for the delivery of facilities at Manukau Sports Bowl**

Very important

#### **Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

#### **Manukau Sports Bowl**

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Less important

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#### **Progressing the planning for options to address community service needs in Old Papatoetoe**

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Support all

### Tell us why

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support all

#### Tell us why

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Better and bigger community

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Other

### Tell us why

I agree to the proposed annual plan as it supports me in my local community.

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Do not support any

### Tell us why

Rates should not increase from the properties' CV value because not everyone is selling their houses as capital value. Increase does not make sense. It only increases these rates

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Do not support

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Rubbish collection rates, property sales

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#### **Tell us why**

Few of proposals would increase expenses for public like putting up rates and rubbish collection would put up rent and house prices which are already sky high.

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Upper Harbour



## Upper Harbour Local Board Priorities

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### 4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?

#### Tell us why

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#### How important are these priorities to you?

**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 have 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**

**Funding to assist in the development, improvement, and renovation of non-council owned community facilities that serve the Upper Harbour area through a facilities grants process**

**Improve wayfinding in the Upper Harbour area to help our communities to easily discover and enjoy the assets we have**

**Contribute funding for the development of a vision and plan for the future North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct.**

#### Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Regarding Upper Harbour Board - WASP hangar in Hobsonville Point.

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It would be ethical to, at least follow through on this promise, in the midst of many others that were flipped

To help the local board understand priorities and areas of importance for the community, we want feedback on areas that are the most important to you so we can prioritise investment in higher priority areas or address rising costs by potentially decreasing investment in lower priority areas.

**Which three of our services are most important to you? (select up to three)**

### **North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct**

Our community gave clear feedback in the long-term plan consultation that they would like to see the North Harbour Stadium and Domain Precinct used more effectively for the local community. The Upper Harbour and Hibiscus and Bays Local Boards are jointly leading a working group of local representatives to develop a vision and plan for the future. The work will need both regional and local funding and our local board will need to contribute.

**Do you think we should contribute funding to the development of a vision and plan for the future of North Harbour Stadium and the Domain Precinct?**

**Tell us why**

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### Tell us why

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**Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

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I don't know

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## **Question 4:**

### **Local board priorities**

**4A. Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Whau

## **Whau Local Board Priorities**

The local board has additional funding in 2025/2026, but there are unavoidable increases in the cost of existing services which will need to be considered alongside the additional funding.

### **4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

Support most

#### **Tell us why**

Unsure of some but would like to see developments out west.

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

#### **How important are these priorities to you?**

**Restore funding to service levels in some areas that were cut in recent years, e.g additional library hours, programmes and community grants**

**Increased service levels in our parks and town centres including progression of Te Hono project**

**Plan for the future Whau aquatic and recreation facility and facilitate public access to school pools in the interim**

**Work with local Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) to find new ways of delivering vibrant and welcoming town centres through art activation and beautification projects.**

**Continue to support volunteering, community and business participation, through environmental and ecological initiatives around the Manukau Harbour foreshore, the Whau River and its tributaries, and our urban ngahere**

**Increase community participation and capability in community hubs, houses and with established community partners, and progress the development of a new community hub in Fruitvale**

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**Investigate a future space for youth and engage a youth coordinator to support and promote for youth by youth activations**

**Provide appropriate options for healthy, active lifestyles through recreation in parks and open spaces with particular focus on our ethnically diverse communities, women, and girls.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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can include more community programs.

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### **Tell us why**

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### **Question 4:**

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Do not support most

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**Tell us why**

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Do not support

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

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make people to pay extra tax instead of buying their own rubbish bag is not necessary

### **Question 4:**

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Do not support any

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Planned spending increases could impose additional financial burdens on residents, such as increases in residential property taxes.

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An additional tourist tax could affect Auckland's tourism industry and make the city less attractive to tourists.

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If taxes must be raised, the government should provide clearer plans to ensure that the funds are actually used to improve public services rather than fill the fiscal deficit.

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It is recommended to strengthen the public participation mechanism to ensure that residents can fully express their opinions before decision-making

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Support

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Support all

### Tell us why

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**Tell us why**

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Support all

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Very informative

local communities really need more help with funding towards local committees

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Support

**Tell us why**

Anything to help with funding overseas exposure

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Support

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Obviously lowering some rates and fees would help local communities with the constant rise cost of living

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- Increase funding for local community local vege gardens
- Immigration policies to help community or visa access to NZ for employment and living
- Help decrease cost of living- inflation is caused by the rich



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Support

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Increasing taxes is one thing, but saving expenditure is more important.

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Support

**Tell us why**

It is advisable to increase the rental tax within the range of 20%.

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Do not support

**3B. Would you like to comment on this or the other rates, fees and charges proposals?**

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No support for increasing garbage tax

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For the sake of community peace, do your best.

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I support the annual plan and hope that the parliament will give priority to investment and water services while providing more and better services and financial support to communities of all races and the elderly, women, children, etc.

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Various activities require financial support.

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I hope Auckland will become better and better, strengthen social security, crack down on crime, ensure the personal and property safety of residents, pay attention to low-income vulnerable groups, improve the lives of low-income groups, reduce food prices and solve the problems of difficulty and high cost of food for the people, and promote unity among people of all ethnic groups.

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### **Tell us why**

Agree that taxes are collected from the people, used for the people, and serve the people. The transparency of tax work should be strengthened to accept the supervision of the people and give full play to democracy. Ensure the healthy development of economic construction and strive to build a harmonious society.

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#### **Albert-Eden Local Board Priorities**

The local board has additional funding in 2025/2026 however there are unavoidable increases in the cost of existing services which may need to be considered alongside the additional funding.

##### **4B. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2025/2026?**

**Tell us why**

So the first thing that's coming up is an issue in some of the areas about the organisation of the community with regard to BIDs and business associations and one of the examples of that is Point Cheveliar and another would be the Mount Albert shops which don't really have the organisation of other areas which are thriving because they come under the BID system. So I have been quite concerned about the Point Cheveliar area and some of the vibe in that area is that it's run down and it's got anti-social behaviour going on, and had the unfortunate reality that the library has been closed, which has really not helped and it shows how amazing libraries are, at growing communities together. But I just wanted to raise the issue- it is really a question whether the issue of the BID might be that because they have to be so big and because people are voting for a higher rate, that we may need to have a look at that area in terms of how we do those things better. I was concerned that because it wasn't an organised BID despite the fact there were issues in that community, they really didn't have the same access to funding for security etc. I appreciate that the business association could be formed at anytime by these groups, but they tend to be disorganised because they're and a lot of them are in private ownership and often the owners are overseas.

The second issue is the issue of helicopters. We had a public meeting on the helicopter consent requested in Rawene in Westmere. We got a lot of people come to that meeting. I was surprised at how many came and how quickly they came, and how articulate they were about the many issues that were involved, including really whether helicopters were appropriate in urbanly intensified areas and the kinds of effects that they have on people in terms of the type of noise it is. We had a speaker talk, who basically gave us some pretty good science on the impact of the noise being different from the actual noisiness because of the sort of slappy nature of the noise. And so I thought that's an issue that I've now finding coming up in anywhere that's got any coastline. And I thought you should know it's out there.

There's an issue about some of the buildings and dilapidated sites around. Some of which are historic sites. And I'm thinking in particular in Richmond Road are one that's next to the Tongan church and it's just deteriorating in front of people's eyes. And I appreciate the Council has made efforts to buy that building, that had been resisted. But I was actually wondering whether there was anything that central government could do or anything that needed to be done to make that disincentivize, buildings like that being around and just being left to break beyond repair.

And then also getting constituents talk to me about other areas of land which just be land or they've got very dilapidated buildings on them and that attracts real crime issues or people sleeping inside of the buildings, and they become really, really much part of the problem. So maybe when that central government needs to help, local governments have the tools to deal with those situations.

There is also the issue of the Carrington development, and that's an interesting one. It's a wonderful project. We're going to have a lot of houses going at Carrington, but I surveyed that community and very few people knew exactly what was going on at Carrington. In how it's supposed to be in charge of their development, but actually when they meet with them, they say they're not in charge of the communications to the community, they're really in a situation where there's a lot of different players at Carrington. There are issues that definitely Council issues like the facilities that will support that development, but there are also issues like Ministry of Education issues like where are people going to be schooled, and that was really hard to get any kind of

answer from the Education Department on. So it's a real issue about really when a development happening like that, which was very well-intentioned, there are lots of good things about it, how does the community get updated and who's in charge of that and how does the community get assured that we're gonna have Primary Health services that supply that education facilities that are gonna make sure that people have school to go through at the moment. I understand the children are expected to go across the Waterview, which is across the motorway and that the secondary schools are absolutely bursting at the seams. So that is an issue. We've got Mount Albert grammar was there yesterday, they've got 3.5k children and that's not the only school of that size. They are absolutely bursting at the seams. So how are we planning for those things and how are we cooperating and how are we letting the local residents know what's going on.

And then finally on my list, I've got an issue about just a little one about that came up from the rugby league club that's in Spause? park and it was an application that they've made for a cafe and that really beautiful renovated clubhouse, and it had been turned down and I was concerned that we had these clubs that are doing a lot in terms of social cohesion. They take some of our most troubled children on and they make sure that they are actually experiencing a lot of integration through rugby league. And they've become community hub and I was concerned that something like the cafe which would support the work they do and it's also another tool of social and community cohesion was being turned down because it was seen as a council owned property and therefore it shouldn't have something like a cafe within it. As we intensify, it's really important that people can go to places like that and that we're really supporting them do it. And that those spaces are being used in many different ways and so I just wanted to raise that issue that had come up.

Our priorities for 2025/2026 are listed below.

**How important are these priorities to you?**

**Increasing our community programmes that are delivered from our libraries and community centres in Pt Chevalier Mt Albert Sandringham and Epsom.**

**Supporting our community leasing groups to be able to share their space and be sustainable over time so they can continue to provide their great range of community services and activities.**

**Supporting our business associations and vibrant town centres so people can live work shop and play in our local villages.**

**Talking with young people and children to better understand what is important to them in their area.**

**Increasing neighbourhood safety and resilience community wellbeing and emergency preparedness.**

**Reducing waste and increasing the profile and impact of Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre.**

**Delivering on concept and restoration plans we have made for local parks and trialling a portable pump track to move around parks in our area.**

**Increasing the number of local events arts and activations especially in local parks and town centres.**

**Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)**

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