

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023 Summary of Feedback





Summary of feedback on the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023

Purpose

This report summarises feedback received during the public consultation in July/August to inform the development of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan. This summary aims to capture themes rather than detail every point of feedback received.

Executive Summary

Local board plans are strategic three-year plans developed in consultation with the community. They set out the direction for the local area reflecting community aspirations and priorities, and guide:

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- local board input into the council's regional strategies and plans, including the Auckland Plan
- how local boards will work with other agencies, including community groups, central government agencies and council-controlled organisations that play key roles in the area.
- funding and investment decisions.

Local board plans focus on the key areas local boards are responsible for and include objectives and some of the key initiatives that will be carried out to achieve them.

Engagement Approach

The draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023 was developed using feedback received from public engagement carried out between November 2022 and April 2023. Feedback previously heard from the community on a wide range of topics, particularly during the 2023 Annual Budget consultation period, was also considered.

Between 13 July and 14 August 2023, the local board consulted on the draft plan to hear the community's thoughts. Feedback was received through Have Your Say events, written submissions including online and hard copy forms, emails, and letters.

This report summarises the key activities that took place and the feedback that was heard during both the early engagement and the consultation period.

Mana whenua engagement

A co-ordinated approach was taken by local boards so that mana whenua was invited to engage with relevant local boards in one hui rather than receiving separate invitations from each local board. Two online information sessions for mana whenua were held on Thursday 8th and Tuesday 13th June 2023. These sessions provided an opportunity for mana whenua to hear about Local Board Plans, how the perspective of Māori could be reflected through their input, the feedback process, and timelines.

The Devonport-Takapuna draft Local Board Plan was shared with Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua, Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki, Ngāti Paoa Trust Board, Ngāti Whanaunga, Ngāti Tamaterā, Ngāti Paoa, Te Kawerau ā Maki, Ngāti Manuhiri, Ngāti Whatua Kaipara who were encouraged to provide written feedback. There was no feedback was received by mana whenua.



Mataawaka engagement

Two activities took place to engage with mataawaka during the early engagement and consultation periods. 15 individuals who identified as māori provided formal feedback.

Stakeholder and community engagement

Early engagement

Auckland Council publicly consulted from 28 February to 28 March 2023 to seek community views on the proposed Annual Budget 2023/2024. This included consultation on the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board’s proposed priorities for 2023/2024 and proposed local activities to discontinue, reduce spending on, or increase fees to meet the Governing Body’s proposed reduction in local board funding.

Over 1,800 submissions were received from the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area and that feedback was used to shape the draft local board plan. High level results were:

- strong support for activities that support the future sustainability of the environment and mitigation against climate change.
- importance of activities which provide for social connection, belonging and mental wellbeing.
- low support for proposed reductions to operating spend.
- strong support for an increase in operating expenditure towards storm response.

The draft plan was developed considering feedback on the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2020, feedback on priorities through previous annual budget consultations and other pieces of feedback such as results from the People’s Panel surveys.

Table: Summary of early engagement activities

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Mataawaka hui Northcote Citizens Centre, Tuesday 18 April	Local māori leaders and mataawaka, The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and local board support staff	30+ attendees
Sunnynook world café drop-in session Sunnynook Community House, Tuesday 4 April	Chinese community representatives, environmental volunteers, community groups and general public	30+ attendees
Devonport Market Stall Devonport Wharf, Saturday 4 March	The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and local board support staff.	47 feedback notes received
Multicultural Hui Northcote Citizens Centre, Thursday 1 December 2022	Sports Pasifik, Census Aotearoa, Aotearoa Multicultural Families Society, Sunnynook Chinese Association, North Shore Chinese Association President, Korean Women’s Association of NZ, The	80+ attendees 100+ feedback notes received



	Korean School of Auckland, Aim High Charitable Trust, Korean Society of Auckland, Japanese Society of Auckland & Welcoming Communities, Japan Kauri Education Trust, Director of Pacific Student Success at Massey University	
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Special Consultative Procedure engagement activities

Table: Summary of consultation activities during the consultation period

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Have Your Say Hearing Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Tuesday 8 August	Lakehouse Arts, Takapuna Residents Association, Forest and Bird North Shore, individual members of the public, The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	10 attendees Three groups and one individual provided verbal feedback
Mataawaka Hui 159 Bayswater Avenue, Bayswater, Thursday 20 July	Local māori leaders and mataawaka, The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and local board support staff	20 attendees
Drop-in sessions at the Devonport Library Monday 7 August Wednesday 9 August	The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	10+
Drop-in sessions at the Takapuna Library Wednesday 9 August Thursday 10 August	The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	10+
Younite Youth Board - Targeted social media engagement	Younite Youth Board	100+ people reached
Targeted ethnic engagement	Nibras Altayyar Kaipatiki Community Facilities Trust Ethnic Advisor, Japanese Kauri Educational Trust, North Shore Islamic Trust, North Shore Islamic Association, The Sri Lankan Newspaper	50+ people reached

Summary of feedback

Please note: this report does not attempt to fully capture all stakeholder and community feedback and only provides overarching themes and examples of individual comments as an overview of the submission data. Please refer to [akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/local-board-plans-2023-feedback](https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/local-board-plans-2023-feedback) to view all submissions and read the full commentary.

A total of 350 pieces of stakeholder and community feedback were received, including 290 submissions through the online survey tool, 21 hard copy submissions, 12 emails and, 18 pieces of feedback through Have Your Say events.

Māori Outcomes

Delivering outcomes for Māori is an important feature of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan.

Māori outcomes respond to Council's legislative obligations and to extensive engagement with Auckland's Māori communities.

The draft plan proposed the following initiatives to support Māori outcomes in our area:

- Partner with mana whenua and mataawaka to deliver initiatives that support sharing Māori cultural knowledge and practices through storytelling projects, celebrating te reo Māori and responding to Māori aspirations. We will do this by delivering programmes and activities in collaboration with Māori for our Māori community and supported by the Local Board.
- Develop and strengthen relationships between mana whenua and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to enable sustained open dialogue and input into local decisions. Rangatira ki te Rangatira.
- Invest in opportunities to establish relationships with mataawaka groups so the needs and concerns of our local Māori are met.
- Continue to deliver Te Kete Rukuruku, the dual naming of parks and reserves, to celebrate and share stories that showcase our unique Māori identity and heritage.
- Restore and maintain the wahi tapu site, Te Uru Tapu/Sacred Grove.
- Matariki is promoted and celebrated.
- Our communities practice te ao Māori guardianship (kaitiakitanga) principles led by mana whenua.
- Communities are educated and prepared to follow tikanga when working with taonga and working on sacred land.
- We partner with mana whenua, mataawaka and community groups to restore Te Taiao, prepare for climate impacts and deliver initiatives that increase understanding of matauranga Māori.

Key themes and comments from the feedback included:

- Love the focus on climate action, local food resilience and championing Māori outcomes.
- The plan is well-rounded, considers appropriate Māori and other populations.
- As tangata whenua I believe that this appears to be fairly represented.



- Too much focus on māori and ethnic communities who don't make up most of the population.



Climate action

Local Boards also have an important role to play in leading and supporting Auckland's response to the climate emergency, including supporting regional climate plan initiatives, integrating climate awareness into all decisions, including community investment.

The draft plan proposed to meet the challenge of taking climate action in the following ways:

- Support initiatives that build community networks and contribute to local resilience.
- Advocate for and work with the Land & Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.
- Collaborate with the Kaipātiki Local Board on the reduction of litter, sediment, and industry pollutants to improve the water quality of streams and ponds in the catchment of the Wairau Estuary.
- Development of a Wairau Water Quality Action Plan to include riparian planting, regular clean-up, monitoring, and building site management for sediment control.
- Support environmental groups in undertaking community-led conservation to eradicate plant and animal pests on both public and private land.
- Support our ecological and environmental volunteers in their valuable work facilitated by the Community Park Ranger.
- Work alongside the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and support their efforts by connecting volunteer groups to plant and trap pests.
- Support initiatives which provide whānau and communities with education on reducing their carbon footprint and living more sustainably.
- Prioritise funding and support zero waste initiatives that promote a circular economy.
- Continue to support the delivery of the Devonport-Takapuna Urban Ngāhere Strategy.
- Support focus on native and ecologically appropriate planting and the principle of having the right tree in the right place.

Key themes and comments from the feedback included:

- Would like to see greater expenditure on environmental initiatives given the long-term benefits and protection the spending will have on our community.
- The plan restores the environment and respects the Māori whilst working towards the development of Devonport-Takapuna.
- Anything that will help mitigate climate change and global warming is worthwhile.
- I disagree with the climate action section, but I agree with the cleaning up the litter etc. Carbon emissions are not the problem, the problem is too much plastic rubbish.
- Need for firmer actions that local board can take towards climate action involving the community.
- Focus should be on the greatest challenges which relate to climate change, reduction in waste, and reduction in fossil fuels.



Consultation questions

Question One

While developing our proposed three-year local board plan, we considered community feedback received on our last plan and in the early engagement phase to ensure this plan reflects the aspirations of our community.

Does our plan reflect your needs and aspirations for the community over the next three years?

Graph: Question One Quantitative feedback

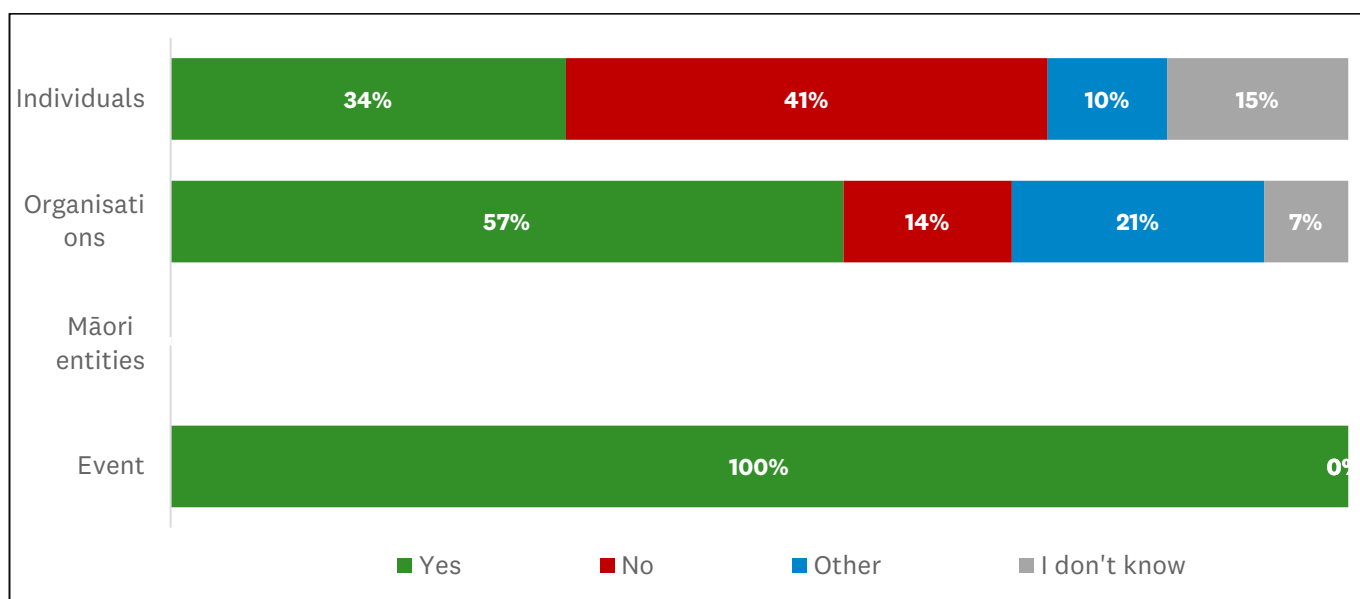


Table: Question One Quantitative feedback

Category	Count	Yes	No	Other	I don't know
Individuals	167	96	117	29	44
Organisations	12	8	2	3	1
Māori entities	0	0	0	0	0
Event	3	3	0	0	0



Key themes from the feedback for Question One included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **no** to Question One:

Number of comments	Theme
33	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square.
17	Too high level, too aspirational, not enough detail, too confusing.
12	Not enough focus on Transport. Would like to see Lake Road and the Francis to Esmonde connection considered. Some mention of speed humps and lacking public transport.
10	Too much focus on māori and ethnic communities. Promotes racist separatism, is too 'woke', and is virtue signalling.
5	Prefer to see more focus on basic core services and less nice to haves.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question One:

Number of comments	Theme
48	General support – Balanced approach, forward thinking.
13	Support the environmental focus in particular.
13	Support the māori outcomes and focus in the plan.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered I don't know or **other** to Question One:

Number of comments	Theme
19	Too high level, too aspirational, not enough detail, too confusing.
3	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
3	Mostly agree but want to see more Transport advocacy.

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **no** to Question One:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	Badly thought through and is not the best for the community.
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	The plan is very broadly aligned with the five priorities of CBRRA, however, while we accept the plan is deliberately aspirational, we do not see much in it for Castor Bay locals and visitors over the next three years.



Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question One:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Open and Connect NZ	It includes needs of diverse community to reflect growing population of ethnic communities.
Devonport Community House	The proposed plan is a good balance between the 5 priorities with a good mix of short- and longer-term objectives.
Pupuke Birdsong Project	We need to really concentrate on climate change and local outcomes to support the community to make changes and adapt.
Takapuna Beach Business Association	Yes, it generally does this.

Question Two

Is there anything else you think should be included in our draft plan?

Graph: Question Two Quantitative feedback

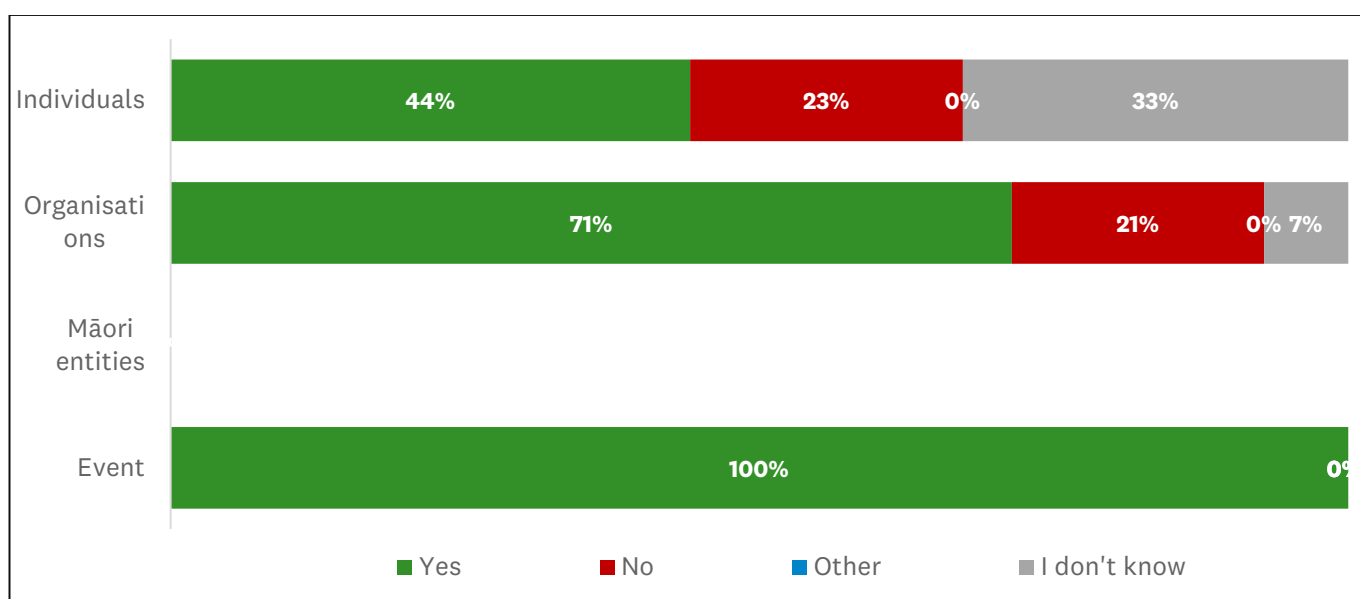


Table: Question Two Quantitative feedback



Category	Count			
	Yes	No	Other	I don't know
Individuals	120	63	0	89
Organisations	10	3	0	1
Māori entities	0	0	0	0
Event	3	0	0	0

Key themes from the feedback included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Two:

Number of comments	Theme
31	Not enough focus on Transport. Would like to see Lake Road and the Francis to Esmonde connection considered. Some mention of speed humps and lacking public transport as well as footpath maintenance. Some comments in this theme also referred to the need for more bike friendly paths.
16	Too high level, too aspirational, not enough detail, too confusing.
12	Highlight the aging population and the youth demographic more.
9	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
5	Prefer to see more focus on basic core services and less nice to haves.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **no**, **I don't know** or **other** to Question Two:

Number of comments	Theme
1	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
1	Prefer to see more focus on basic core services and less nice to haves.

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Two:

Name of Organisation	Comments
The Pumphouse Theatre	A greater recognition of the arts and existing arts partners
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	Save the Takapuna Library
Takapuna Residents Association	Accessibility. Inclusion of tools to encourage community participation and understanding of what Local Boards do. Specific reference and deliverable for Lake Pupuke.
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	Reference to Kennedy Park and it's WWII features, in particular the barracks house at 139 Beach Road
Milford Residents Association	A commitment to ensuring each of the Board's communities/town centres has the civic infrastructure essential for community activities and as a base during an emergency.
Active	Accessibility. Prioritisation of health, wellbeing, and physical activity. Stronger emphasis on play. Advocate to the Governing Body for more investment into the Sport and Rec Facility Funds.
Takapuna North Community Trust	More firm actions that DTLB can take towards climate action involving the community. We need stronger, more transparent language about what the DTLB will be doing.
The Devonport Yacht Club	Want to see more boat haulage facilities in the Auckland area.
Takapuna Beach Business Association	More support for events. Emphasis on park and footpath maintenance. Highlight community safety. More advocacy to Auckland Transport.
Harbour Sport	Stronger emphasis on the value pf play, active recreation, sport, and physical activity.



Question Three

Our plan consists of five key themes for which we have identified opportunities and challenges that the community are faced with in Devonport-Takapuna.

Does our plan reflect the right opportunities and challenges that the community are faced with?

Graph: Question Three Quantitative feedback

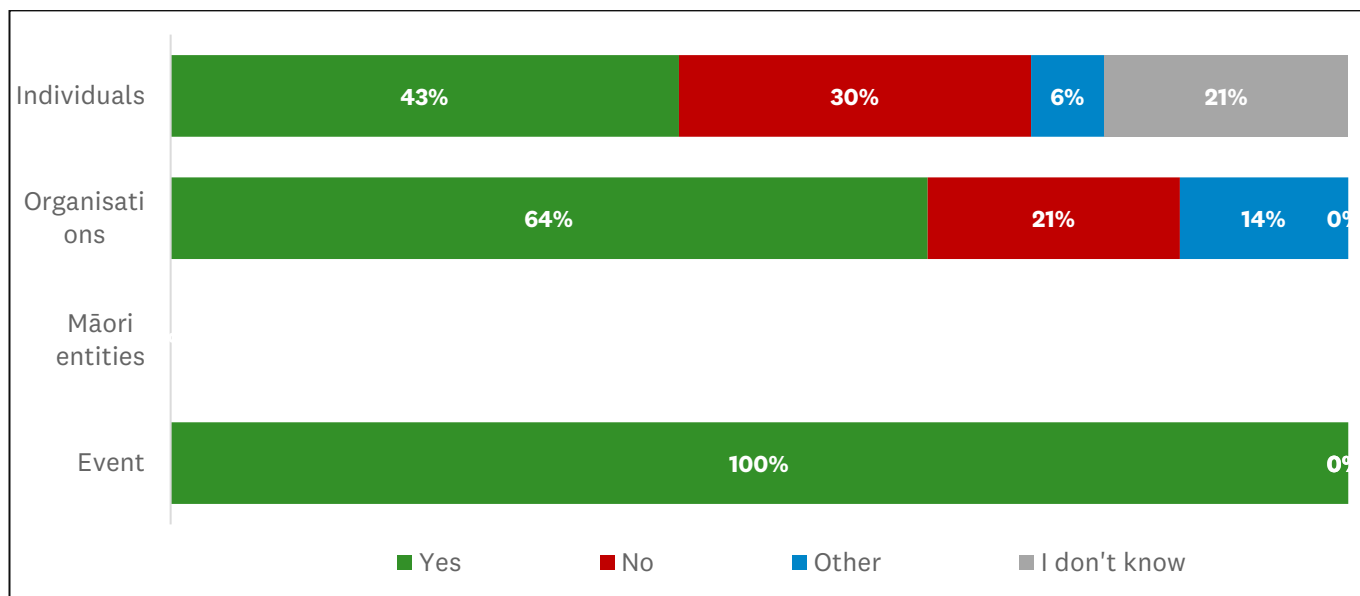


Table: Question Three Quantitative feedback

Category	Count			
	Yes	No	Other	I don't know
Individuals	117	81	17	56
Organisations	9	3	2	0
Māori entities	0	0	0	0
Event	3	0	0	0

Key themes from the feedback included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Three:

Number of comments	Theme
9	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
9	Transport Need for better management of traffic. Desire or more bike trails/cycle ways.
5	Missed opportunity in having community delivery of events

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Three:

Number of comments	Theme
31	Overall support Everything is covered well, there is wide representation.
4	Specific support for consideration of climate change and the environment.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered I don't know or **other** to Question Three:

Number of comments	Theme
2	Climate/Environment Focus should be on the greatest challenges which relate to climate change, reduction in waste, and a plan to upgrade our drainage system.
2	Transport Unreliable public transport, more parking in Takapuna.

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Three:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	Prefer to see more focus on basic core services and less nice to haves.
Takapuna Residents Association	Principal issues facing the community are the cost of living (many residents on fixed income), safety and crime.
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	Castor Bay is 'opportunity-rich' in Māori history, WWII heritage and park / coastal features and should feature more in the plan.



Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Three:



Name of Organisation	Comments
Open and Connect NZ	Specificity on how to deal with diverse community needs and challenges.
Devonport Community House	The plan largely reflects the right opportunities and challenges. However, we'd like to see a more explicit connection between the objectives and initiatives in the 'our people' and 'our community' priorities and the growing sense of disconnection and polarisation within our communities
Takapuna North Community Trust	There is a strong desire to support environmental and climate change outcomes - this is to be commended. We cannot afford to kick the can down the road with climate action. Drastic changes must be made now so that we can avoid further challenges as we had in early 2023.
Takapuna Beach Business Association	Yes, it generally does.
The Devonport Yacht Club	Our members reflect that of the local community and our challenges align with the local Boards Plan.

Question Four

We may need to review how our services are provided and possibly change some. This would be done to ensure our facilities are used efficiently and avoid maintaining underutilised and expensive buildings. For example, we would look to provide shared use and multi-purpose buildings that serve many groups rather than single use buildings.

Do you support us taking this approach?

Graph: Question Four Quantitative feedback

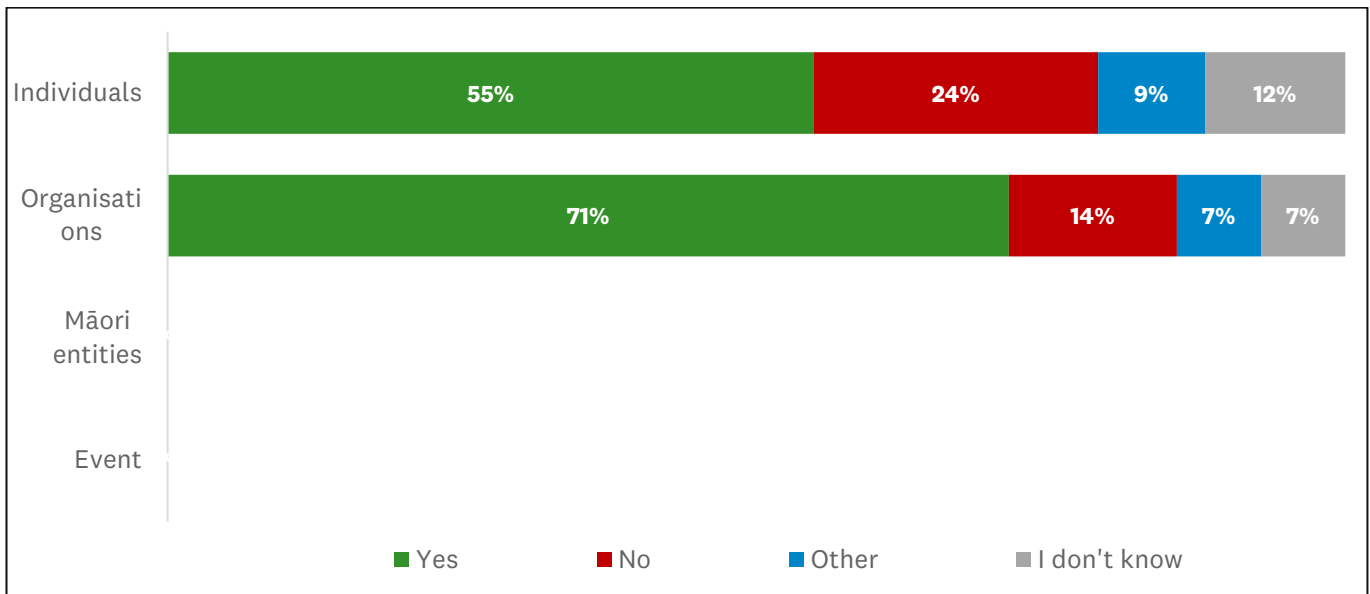


Table: Question Four Quantitative feedback

Category	Count			
	Yes	No	Other	I don't know
Individuals	157	69	26	34
Organisations	10	2	1	1
Māori entities	0	0	0	0
Event	0	0	0	0



Key themes from the feedback included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Four:

Number of comments	Theme
19	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
6	Question is confusing/Not enough information to answer
5	Do not support selling buildings in favour of leasing spaces
4	Single purpose-built buildings are needed. Do not support multi use.
3	Do not want to lose cultural, and historic significance or reduce quality of service.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Four:

Number of comments	Theme
31	This is a sensible approach.
26	Support this approach where required subject to investigation and consultation.
7	Support this idea in principal but do not support this approach being used on the Takapuna Library.
3	Do not want to lose cultural and historic significance, reduce quality of service, or lose any space.
3	Support, but not selling buildings in favour of leasing spaces.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered I don't know or **other** to Question Four:

Number of comments	Theme
18	Support this approach where required subject to investigation and consultation.
7	Support this idea in principal but do not support this approach being used on the Takapuna Library.
5	Question is confusing/Not enough information to answer
3	Support, but not selling buildings in favour of leasing spaces

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Four:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	Do not eliminate community spaces that are an important part of making the community is in the Takapuna/Devonport ward.
Takapuna Residents Association	There is a complete lack of trust that the community would benefit. Instead, this appears to be an attempt to legitimise the ongoing disposal of existing assets to release funds to be used elsewhere

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Four:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Open and Connect NZ	There should be more facilities and spaces for wider community groups, rather than just for a few organisations
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	We would encourage DTLB not to use this as an excuse to defer important priorities such as the restoration of Kennedy Park's WWII heritage features, and the storm-damaged stairs down to Kennedy Park beach.
Devonport Community House	We strongly recommend the Local Board consult widely and genuinely on any specific proposals and provide ample transition time for those affected.
Milford Residents Association	Shared use and multipurpose buildings that serve many groups is a good idea. However, we fear that any renewal projects run the risk of the Board allowing themselves to be short-changed in terms of size and quality.
Pupuke Birdsong Project	We need to work together more, and shared spaces allow opportunities to arise, however this should not be at the expense of the existing excellent programmes/projects and the library
Takapuna North Community Trust	Multi-use buildings that are accessible by public transport and priced well are important for community use. Having them in easily accessible locations will increase their visibility and their use
Takapuna Beach Business Association	Yes, as good business practice, assets need to be reviewed periodically if they are still fit for purpose and achieving the goals of the organisation and what other options might be possible.



The Pumphouse Theatre	There is a risk this could remove resources from arts-based groups which are already in short supply. We'd suggest engagement with the performing arts community before any resources are removed or consolidated to ensure ongoing access.
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Question Five

In our draft Local Board Plan, we have included an objective to integrate and streamline services, with a particular initiative to investigate the creation of an integrated library and community hub in Takapuna. We aspire to develop a facility of the same calibre of the Te Manawa Library in Westgate.

Do you support us investigating* the use of a targeted rate to help fund an enhanced library and community hub facility in Takapuna?

*Should there be support from the community, further consultation via the 10-year Budget or a future Annual Budget would be undertaken before proceeding with this. It would include more specific information about the investment, the level of the rate and would be subject to a decision from the Governing Body.

Graph: Question Five Quantitative feedback

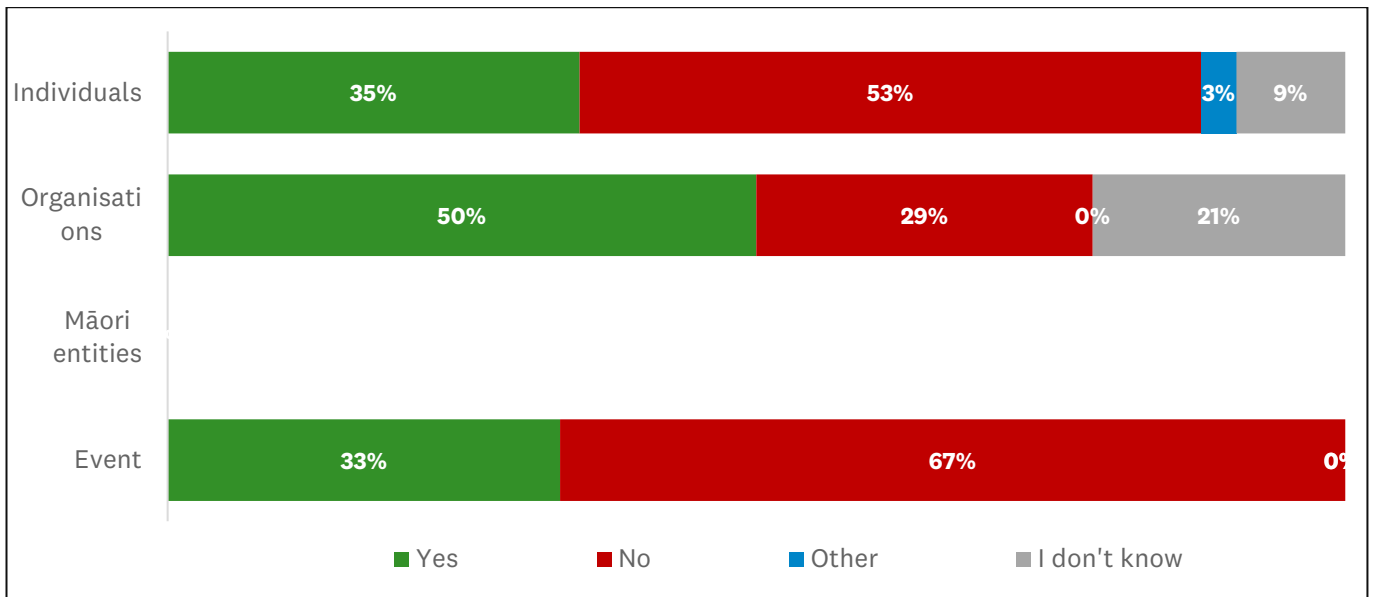


Table: Question Five Quantitative feedback



Category	Count			
	Yes	No	Other	I don't know
Individuals	106	160	9	28
Organisations	7	4	0	3
Māori entities	0	0	0	0
Event	2	4	0	0

Key themes from the feedback included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Five:

Number of comments	Theme
69	Nothing wrong with the current library and or location / Status quo
31	We cannot afford extra rates/Cost of living
20	This should be self-funded through optimisation or funded elsewhere.
20	This is not a priority, it's too expensive.
18	Refurbishment/upgrade of current facility only
4	Not enough information has been provided to answer this question.

Table: Individual feedback from those who answered **yes** to Question Five:

Number of comments	Theme
18	Support the investigation of a targeted rate to help fund an enhanced library and community hub facility in Takapuna
16	Great benefits to the community
6	Prefer a refurbishment/upgrade of current facility
6	Support an integrated, multiuse community space
4	Prefer a centralised library in the town square



Table: Individual feedback from those who answered I don't know or **other** to Question Five:

Number of comments	Theme
7	Not enough information has been provided to answer this question.
6	I don't know
4	Prefer a refurbishment/upgrade of current facility
3	This should be self-funded through optimisation or funded elsewhere.
1	Nothing wrong with the current library and or location / Status quo
1	Support the investigation of a targeted rate to help fund an enhanced library and community hub facility in Takapuna
1	Support an integrated, multiuse community space

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **no** to Question Five:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	There should not be a targeted rate for the local ward for a facility that nobody has asked for. Please leave the fantastic library as it is now.
Takapuna Residents Association	The feedback from members is they are satisfied with existing facilities and cannot afford any additional cost. The community does not want an additional charge to fund a vanity project.
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	We would expect costs such as this to be funded from general rates.

Table: Organisation feedback from those who answered **yes, or I don't know** to Question Five:

Name of Organisation	Comments
Open and Connect	Yes, it is great idea and very important to have this hub to make this area more vibrant and accessible.
Milford Residents Association	Yes, would support a targeted rate to help fund an enhanced library (while believing this funding is the responsibility of Auckland Council not the local board). The Te Manawa Library looks to be of reasonable quality. However, the existing library and services building could also be redeveloped, and this should be looked at.
Takapuna North Community Trust	I would encourage the DTLB to advocate for a building like Te Manawa. Investment in a building like this now will only benefit the community in the long run.
Takapuna Beach Business Association	We support having a high-quality library and community centre to increase visitation to Takapuna and increase our community's wellbeing. All options should be considered for the future site, planning and funding of the facility.



Devonport Community House

We would need to understand more about the need for such a hub and the details of the proposal before providing our view on it.

Question Six

Do you have any other feedback on the Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate action goals or Māori outcome aspirations?

A total of 141 individual submitters and 5 organisations left a comment in response to this question.

Key themes from the feedback included:

Individual feedback

Table: Individual feedback from those who responded to Question Six

Number of comments	Theme
46	Climate and environmental issues should be the most important focus. Use of permeable surfaces. Increased tree planting and tree maintenance. Investment into solar energy. Quality stormwater infrastructure
30	Transport More advocacy for improved public transport and electric buses. Progression of the Francis to Esmonde path. Progression of Lake Road improvement project. More cycle ways.
18	Too much focus on māori and ethnic communities who don't make up most of the population. The plan is racist.
13	Support for highlighting māori outcomes. Support for dual naming and māori storyboards in parks. A thriving Māori rūpū is good for everyone.
7	Takapuna Library/Targeted rate related. Opposition to SCP question 5 regarding the investigation into target rate for a library/community hub in Waiwharariki square
6	Too ambiguous, not enough detail, do not understand the plan.

Stakeholder and organisation feedback

Table: Organisation feedback from those who responded to Question Six

Name of Organisation	Comments
The PumpHouse Theatre	Dedicated DT area Māori engagement advisors would be helpful.
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	The Kennedy Park stairs down to the beach are an incredibly popular community asset. We would strongly request DTLB advocates for their repair / rebuild.
Milford Residents Association	Climate Action goals - initiatives to build community networks and contribute to local resilience should be based on a professional emergency response and not rely on volunteer community groups.
Takapuna North Community Trust	There are established practices that will make a difference to the climate (e.g., reducing car usage, etc.) that need to be communicated to the community to push for more sustainable practices. Endless consultation doesn't result in action.
Takapuna Beach Business Association	Auckland Council has a target of being carbon neutral by 2030. The DTLB should consider setting its own targets for our area. Regarding housing intensification and development, the local board should seek to facilitate, support, and manage growth within the local board area which achieve the wider aims of this plan.



Other feedback received

Feedback on topics outside of those directly consulted on included:

- Auckland Transport should not be installing traffic calming as this money could better be spent on road maintenance.
- Objections to increased development, and intensification from both the Unitary Plan and the Medium Density Residential Standards which removed parking minimums*
- Road signs and other signage should not be changed to add Te Reo.
- Requests for additional parks and footpath maintenance.
- Requests for the acquisition of more green space.
- Requests for increase in bus services.
- Increased maintenance of council facilities.
- Funding for community electric cars which could be shared by the community.

Most of these are outside of the [responsibilities of the local board](#). However, those marked with a red asterisk (*) have been the subject of previous submissions from the local board to Central Government, Auckland Transport, and the hearings on the Plan Change 78.

Who we heard from



The tables and graphs below indicate the demographic profile of those that answered the demographic questions.

Stakeholders/Organisations

A total of 23 organisations made a formal submission on the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board plan.

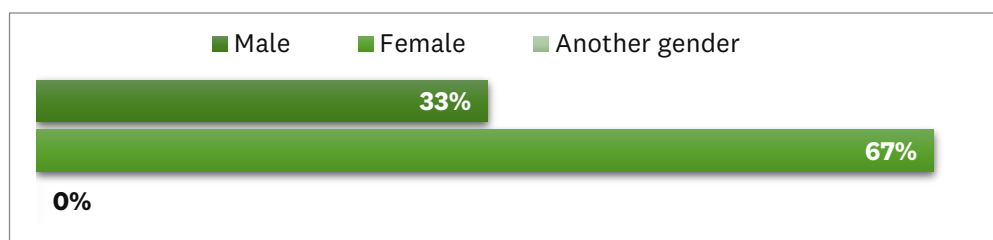
Table: All organisations who made a formal submission on the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board plan

Organisations		
Open and Connect NZ	The PumpHouse Theatre	Harbour Sport
Takapuna/Devonport Community Vigilance Committee	Takapuna Residents Association	The Tree Council
Castor Bay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association	Devonport Community House	Disabled Persons Assembly NZ
Milford Residents Association	Aktive	Grey Power North Shore
Pupuke Birdsong Project	Big Street Bikers	Forest & Bird
Takapuna North Community Trust	The Devonport Yacht Club.	Civic Trust Auckland
North Shore Rugby Football Club	Takapuna Beach Business Association	Community Groups Feeding the Homeless
Bike Auckland	Community Cat Coalition Inc.	

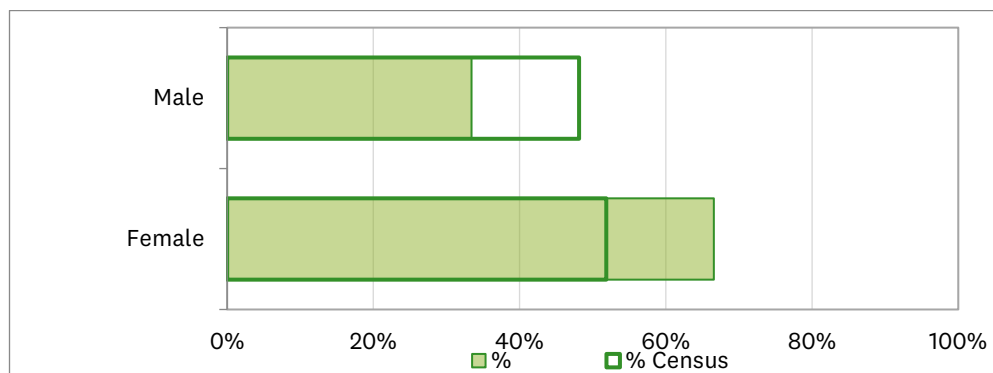
Gender

A total of 314 submitters provided information on their gender identity. 105 identified as Male and 209 identified as female.

Graph: Gender identity data shown as a percentage



Graph: Gender identity data compared to census data





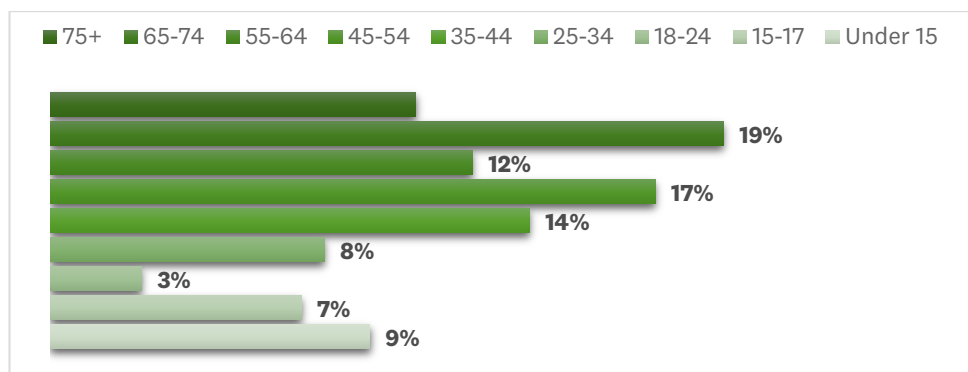
Age

A total of 305 submitters provided information on their age.

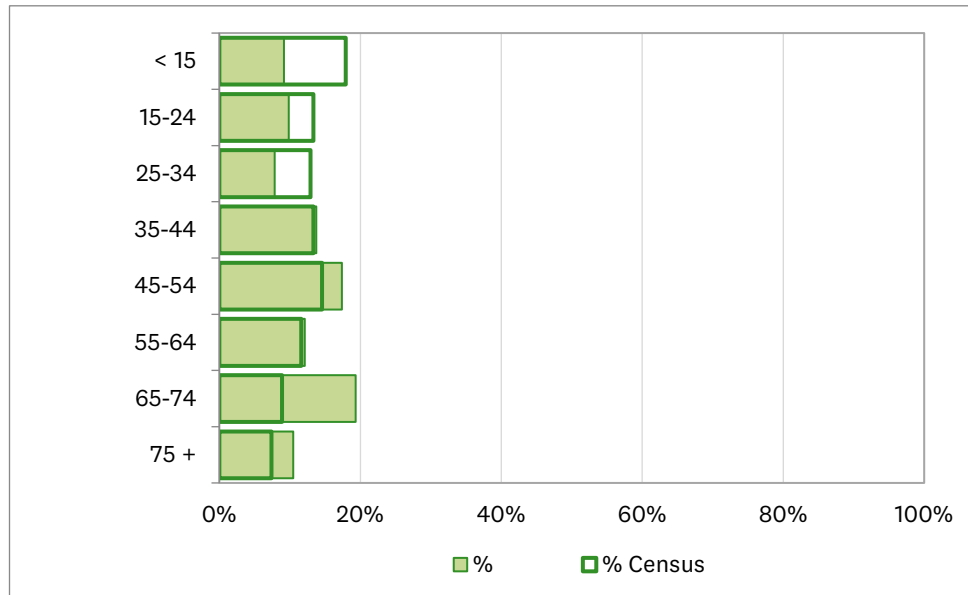
Table: Age data shown as a number

Age	Under 15	15-17	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-55	55-64	64-74	75+
Count	28	22	8	24	42	53	37	59	32

Graph: Age data shown as a percentage



Graph: Age data compared to census data



Ethnicity



A total of 294 submitters provided information on the ethnicity they identify as.

Table: Ethnicity data shown as a number

Ethnicity	European	Māori	Pasifika	Asian	MELAA*	Other
Count	233	15	3	53	15	11

Table: Ethnicity data shown as a percentage

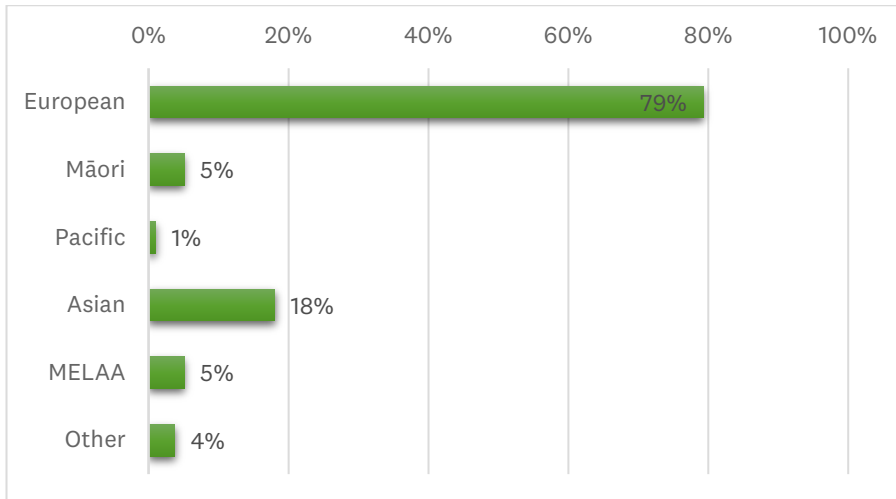


Table: Ethnicity data compared to census data

