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**Local Board Plan 2023**

**Howick Local Board**

**WRITTEN FEEDBACK**

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### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

There are good high-level objectives and plans without details in terms of tackling issues. Eg. good objectives about transport, and to address the limits on in-fill housing etc, but no mention of some key issues (for someone who was born in Howick in the late 1960s) of rampant curbside parking in streets not designed for it (creating very dangerous conditions for drivers and cyclists and pedestrians), parking on footpaths because people don't want their cars damaged.

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Member Bruce Kendall was excellent at helping me, but getting council staff to address issues with an illegal a dam built by nearby residents in a stream that was a barrier to native diversity. That is the kind of action we need, alongside the community initiatives.

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You have allowed Mellons Bay beach to become a virtually unrestricted dog zone, with faeces over the grass areas and the beach itself, creating an unsafe area for small children who grow up nearby and should be able to play for longer periods of the day without dogs running up to them. The balance of dog owner rights versus other people's rights is out of kilter, particularly at Mellons Bay. also, there has long been mention of better boat access at Mellons Bay (repair to the current rutted access point?) but this is not addressed anywhere in the plan.

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You need to include a focus on ensuring residential streets are safe driving/riding zones (ie. work with Auckland Transport to review all streets for safety, and put in place a programme of no parking lines in streets where safe driving and cycling is no longer possible - eg. Moore St, O'Halloran Rd, Mellons Bay Road (at the Stockade Hill end), Cheriton Rd.). Current no parking zones in residential streets dating back to the 1950s/1960s are not adequate for the changes to curbside parking behaviour due to infill housing and car ownership. The model for high-use roads should be Beach Rd, which has no parking down the entire north side, meaning traffic can flow freely - not drivers suddenly having to swerve into a driveway area to avoid a collision with an oncoming vehicle. On other roads, where there is less volume, the yellow lines only need to be on tight bends, for example, where nobody previously used to park.

Feeder services for the ferries need to be vastly improved if you are going to get regular users out of their cars. It would take most people longer to walk to a pick up point than it would to drive to the ferry and park, and the total time to get to the ferry would be 2 to 3 times as long.

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Selling facilities is fairly short-sighted, when there are groups crying out for a place to meet etc. We'll never be able to buy them back. And also land - particularly if it's to a private developer who simply puts up high density housing.



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Involving from school levelbis a great opportunity to educate and involve the community. We just need to retain as much green space as possible and not over intensify the area any more than we have to

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The over doing of forcing a culture upon others is racially offensive, it has to stop also not a single rational thinking person supports Auckland transports activity in the east Auckland area, there is a movement to have East Auckland separate from the dysfunctional Super city

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Again you do not listen to the people of East Auckland and quite frankly never have

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Council does not listen to ratepayers and residents, all that is being done is imposing the ideals of radical councilors upon us

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Definitely do not support AT in East Auckland is not wanted whatsoever, transport times now are seriously higher than ever before, creating further green house gases and costing lives as emergency vehicles cannot get to where they are needed fast enough

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With the recent budget debacle, east aucklanders do not have confidence in Auckland Council delivering a plan let alone any sensible plan

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Services were supposed to be trimmed streamlined and be more cost effective and cheaper with amalgamation, the opposite has occurred, because of incompetent people making frivolous decisions with ratepayers money



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I love all the community initiatives however, I would like the consideration of a dog free Howick market area. Last Saturday we took our granddaughter to the market and had to carry her around the 17 dogs ( we counted) either in leads on sitting in the seated area. She is two and dog shy as last year a small leashed dog jumped up towards her. Happy for dogs in cafes but the market area is way too small to have children, people and dogs in

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Just about dogs in the Howick market...sorry, but this really annoyed me last Saturday so am adding it here..thanks for all you do team 😊



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Because you don't seem to listen anyway

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We've asked for better footpaths and public toilets for Lloyd Elsmore park and clearly who ever looks after it doesn't use it cause none of the paths connect and still no loos !

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

Being asked to contribute more as a ratepayer and resident comes with better financial responsibility. This fact has not been completely covered in the plan.

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Not much talk about equality as defined under the Human Rights Act.



**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

By building more homes, shops and businesses within the ward boundary doesn’t reduce emissions... it becomes just talk really...

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**Tell us why**

You need to do more than “ look” ..... you actively need to “do” to achieve positively.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

I would never risk cycling in the Howick Ward... far too dangerous ( look at ACC and NZTA stats of injuries etc.)

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

The death of Pakuranga Town Centre is imminent.... we need far more activities for youth apart from shopping centres.

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More Board members driving EV's to set an example. An active marae in Howick Colonial Village that balances colonisation.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

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More council business conducted on line... like the libraries have done.



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Some areas are being properly addressed. However, transport issues are still not being addressed properly. The train needs to run to Botany as no one will use the so called "rapid transit" bus when it takes too long (over the double the time) to commute to the inner city surrounding suburbs - and doesn't go where we need it to go, across town!

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Support

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This is a good focus to have.

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It cannot come at the cost of transport issues.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

Transport issues are still not being addressed properly. The TRAIN needs to run to Botany as no one will use the so called "rapid transit" bus when it takes too long (over the double the time) to commute to the inner city surrounding suburbs - and doesn't go where we need it to go, across town! Cycle lanes are not at all practical because we are so far away from the City.

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Support

**Tell us why**

Jobs need to be created locally.

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No

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Do not support

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libraries are essential to our communities for all ages as a place for meeting and learning and social interaction.



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Support

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**Tell us why**



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Support

**Tell us why****7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

This "plan" has a lot of broad concepts but not a lot of specific actions. While there is nothing I disagree with, I'd like to see some specific deliverables, otherwise it's very easy to make empty promises and then accomplish nothing.

Be careful you don't think about each category of goals separately, you should look for actions that accomplish several or all of the goals simultaneously. For example, you might have an environmental cleanup event that highlights the different approaches of different communities to environmentalism, which also partners with local businesses to promote them, and makes business districts more appealing. This is what I mean when I say I want to see some specific deliverables that actually accomplishes some of your lofty and commendable goals.

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Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Are all these buildings being used regularly, or are they sitting empty? Instead of selling unused buildings, are there ways to use them that might generate some more income? Ultimately, you have to do what makes the most financial sense. Just keep in mind there are two sides to finances: you might cut costs, or you might increase revenue.



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Support

#### Tell us why

I like the ideas of using spaces like Howick village for more community events and the focus on our beaches.

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

i support the focus on local arts, culture, music and heritage. more events in the area is a nice thing.

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Support

**Tell us why**

I love going and walking around the beaches and walkways, so I support the focus on them.

something you should deal with is the slip sign between Marine Parade and Howick beach, it is unnecessary and blocks access to a very nice part of the beach. This would be true if it blocked off every access point, which it doesn't and you can still walk around the path and find why that board was placed. personally I think its to minimal to have it there and maybe the area right by the sign should have some trimming done to reopen the path. other than that it was useless to shut it off.

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Support

**Tell us why**

strongly support everything here the most

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bike paths across the region sound nice and i might actually use it if they went to useful places, such as one to the city (event though that's outside of your region) or to Howick from Botany / Panmure or Pakuranga.

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Support

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### Your feedback

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Support

#### Tell us why

Seems innovative.

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Support

#### Tell us why

Seems the correct focus.



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Support

**Tell us why**

Well thought out.

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Support

**Tell us why**

Very thorough.

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Support

**Tell us why**

Very caring.

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Support

**Tell us why**

It is thought out well.

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I'm in agreement with this.

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Support

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Seems very fair.



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

I think the infrastructure has to be modified urgently, to allow infill housing to further develop. Our feeder roads are dangerously overcrowded with parked vehicles. I think that the Board are aware of this, but I'm worried about the lack of action.

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

As above in my previous response, action on the allowance of people moving in to infill housing will alleviate problems with our health, wellbeing and safety.

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**Tell us why**

Professional guidance is needed by volunteers working with sustaining the flora and fauna in our reserves. Without some planning resources will be wasted.

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Support

**Tell us why**

At present the use of consultants to work in reserves seems to be quite disorganised. Changing the way services are delivered, with careful planning, will be to everyones advantage.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Any cycle or walking network must interconnect with city wide networks, and also bus transport.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

These "big ticket" participants should not be funded at the expense of local volunteer groups working on less visible projects to the same ends.

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

What about a push on educating people about the noxious plants we have in our reserves and in our home gardens? Without knowledge, we have little hope of controlling these pests.

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Support

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If buildings are carefully evaluated before action is taken, I have no objection.



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Support

**Tell us why**

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**Tell us why**



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Support

**Tell us why**

There needs to be a grounds roots education program built for schools and communities to create awareness and empower people to act in ways that will minimize environmental impact.

e.g. Going around the schools and inviting each classroom to spend 2 hours each 6 months to pick up plastic rubbish off their local beach. Making art project out of the rubbish.

Educating the public on ways on reducing their landfill. E.g. Using refill tablets instead of buying another plastic cleaning bottle. What they can recycle and what they can't as there is a huge amount of confusion out there.

Why planting trees is important measure against increasing temperatures and floods.

I am available to help with the development of these programs.

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Support

**Tell us why**

There are not enough open green spaces with enough trees to support infill housing growth. We must create more space for communities to come together, stay cool, play, plant and for flood prevention. Not doing so will result in a degrading community. Green spaces support happiness and health. Infill housing is intensifying the heat island effect and creates more flood prone areas. Not creating enough green space around houses is short sighted, unless this can be off site by public green space. and this is not the case for East Auckland.

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Support

**Tell us why**

I am very supportive of exercise walkways. Lets also put clear Perspex bins near beaches for everyone to put the plastic trash they have picked up from the beach into. This will reduce the Out of Sight, Out of Mind mentally in a community.

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

I do not support unless I see plans that clearly show the ratio of housing to green spaces is more balanced.

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See comments above on developing School and community awareness programs. Also of concern is the low housing to green space ratio in the Howick Ward.

The amount of plastic rubbish that washes in from the sea is a great opportunity to create an awareness campaign on how to reduce landfill and better recycle.

The poor uptake of non-Plastic containers by many takeaway businesses must be a result of lack of resources to manage this. This is disturbing.

The out of sight and out of mind attitude towards the impact of infill housing will come back to be a longer-term issue.

e.g. poor build quality, lack of green space around houses, poor drainage, lack of car parking, lack or no shared community spaces.

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We work in a more online post pandemic world. Many businesses have now downsized their premises and reduced carparks due to the hybrid working model. Build parks where council buildings are.



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Support

**Tell us why**

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

The commitment to climate change mitigation is still largely token. Faster action is needed.

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Support

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

It's a load of waffle.

Always claiming to "develop a plan", "understand" and similar drivel. When do you plan to stop stuffing around and actually get on with it?

Always pandering to certain race groups while neglecting others. When do you plan to lead this country into a truly racially agnostic society where everyone is seen a human regardless of the amount of pigment they have in their skin?

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Ditto!

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**Tell us why**

Ditto!

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Ditto!



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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Ditto!

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Read the feedback at the top.

Treat everyone as human, cut the racial crap, and provide an equitable ROOT-CAUSE-FOCUSED approach to problem-solving.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

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Ditto!



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Do not support

#### Tell us why

To much airy fairy stuff and lacing on substance and real plans. Basic stuff like Fixing the issues like specific traffic problems, mowing the parks. Simple stuff like improving exits in and out of botany mall North (Kmart).

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

Other than providing parks and city planning, and safe infrastructure, it's not the council's prerogative to be meddling in these areas, which has become highly political. Focusing on moari when they are only 3% of the local population also unnecessary and obviously politically motivated and overly woke.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

None of the proposals will impact climate change. It's again a politically motivated initiative, stick to core responsibilities. The proposals also show a lack of knowledge of the cause of climate change.

How about more efficient movement of traffic? Less CO2...

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**Tell us why**

Í don't support that this is the only area where budget constraints are being mentioned. Disabled facilities are a good idea. conserving parks should be a priority and get rid of all the rubbish above before restraining budget for parks and facilities. Also the Lloyd elsmore pool should be free or cheaper than it is. I stopped going after it was over \$5

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**Tell us why**

The bus connection should have been a train connection or more roads. Also we have traffic even worse around Panmure estuary and bus lanes empty, with occasional empty bus driving on it. What a disgrace. The route isn't practical to use if all the people sitting in their cars wanted to...

Cycling networks however are improving and do not impact the traffic or roads as they tend to be through parks, I've seen improvements around Cascades Rd area which are good. Still a lot to do. I use these myself although it's a pity to see how empty they are. Why is this?..

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Support

**Tell us why**

Generally support although should be business led.

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Generally disappointing and lacking any detail or substance

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Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Infrastructure should remain in council hands as a priority. libraries, sports and recreation facilities are core council responsibilities along with roads and waste and utilities. Remove all the other initiatives here before reducing service here. Meddling with moari affairs, people, youth, business, climate change can all be removed first if cost saving is to be made.



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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Less focus on cycle ways .. put these into parks etc. More focus on better roading

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Having a central community hall and library are important to the community



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#### Tell us why

Lots of vague happy words, little substance

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Missed the bus... literally and figurately

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1) why does a Clevedon tribe have partnership aspirations with this area - don't they like Papakura?

2) East Tamaki/Highbrook walking/cycling - Why the heck didn't you put houses/ 12 story apartments/units in this area so work IS within walking distance

3) Flatbush - 40,000 houses and 2,000 shop assistant jobs - in what world would that work so that people can walk/cycle to work? Shop assistance don't earn \$180,000 per year and that's what's needed to fun an Auckland house. 40,000 houses should have 80,000 jobs within reasonable access.

4) Flatbush - you had decades to put train/bus lanes to Flatbush when it was just farm paddocks - again a no brainer.

5) Tūpuna Maunga Authority has totally destroyed Pigeon mountain - feel shamed by what they did, no respect for the land, by not planting trees (not shrubs) decades before removing the other trees - TOTALLY NO CONFIDANCE in this group of idiots - get rid of them and hire someone who knows about greenhouse gasses, erosion, biodiversity and growth rates/coverage of trees and the relationships with bird life. AND bring back a dirt bike track - that costed nothing, for the kids to enjoy.

6) Education at schools and the Marae about "NOT LITTERING", telling everyone it's disrespectful to put shopping trolleys in our creeks, leaving their KFC wrappers all over the carparks and roads, tell them they bring shame to their whanau when they do that. Encourage parents to tell the kids littering (and ram raids) is disrespectful and dishonourable as well.

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

As mentioned in the plan, the recent extreme weather events really highlight the impact that climate change is already having on our lives. I constantly worry about how it's going to get worse, especially for future generations, and yet I feel helplessness in being about to make a difference, as the majority of emissions aren't coming from actions of individuals, but rather corporations. I suppose one of the best things we can do is improve public transport to reduce our reliance on individual motor vehicles. Given the recent petrol tax re-introduction, many of the people I've spoken to are starting to put more and more consideration into electric vehicles. Is there anything we could do within Howick to improve the electric vehicle charging infrastructure? This may be infeasible for us but I've heard of some cities introducing EV chargers on light poles, to allow for street-side charging.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

An emergency response plan sounds like a wise idea. A lot of the goals mentioned in the plan seem like a good idea, although it's a bit hard for me to really grasp as they're fairly abstract goals, which would be incredibly difficult to measure. Unfortunately, I suppose that's probably part of the nature of longer term plans and something I struggle with across the 5 topics. It'd be great to make sure that there's a clear/continuous avenue of communication regarding the concrete work being done towards these goals.

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Support

**Tell us why**

I think education is probably one of the best things we can do in regards to this issue. Not just in schools as well, though it's a lot harder to educate those outside school. I still know a handful of people that refuse to see that climate change is real and already having a profound impact on our lives. I suppose there's not a ton that we can do as a community to change the actions of the major carbon emitters, we just need to do what we can and prepare for the worst.

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Support



**Tell us why**

Maintaining our public facilities is very important for the social health of the community.

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Support

**Tell us why**

I am a big advocate for public transport as I believe it's the only way for our city to have sustainable growth. I take it whenever I can, but the lack of frequency and reliability has a massive impact on it's practicality. Of course, it's a vicious cycle where lack of people means lack of money/means to improve transport, and vice versa. Realistically, the issues with driver availability hinder the advancement of our transport. I do think we need to bite the bullet and put as much as we can into our public transport though.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

I feel that Howick businesses have been doing fairly well lately. Of course, I do want to support local businesses, but it does need to be a two way relationship, where they support us back as well.

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Climate change is rough. Maybe better communication around individual actions we can take or relevant local communities/events? I think we're fairly fortunate in this area, as there doesn't seem to be any major issues with things like littering, but along those lines, I've heard some communities organising a community event for gathering litter. Not sure exactly what we could do though, that's the tough part.

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I don't know

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

It would depend on what resources the board is looking to relinquish. Many things, like libraries and sport facilities, pay back so much to the community in terms of "social dividends" that they're almost priceless. It would be incredibly painful for me to see my tax dollars shifted away from those facilities, letting them go.



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Do not support

#### Tell us why

We need more focus on building better play spaces, better playgrounds for our community, and to bring people to the area for economic stability and sense of community. This draft proposal is more about celebrating diversity rather than meeting the social, economical and protection needs

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Do not support

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**Tell us why**

East Auckland is severely lacking in amazing open spaces and playgrounds. Compared to what other areas of Auckland have! This draft does not address this.

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Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

We need to support libraries, and sports and recreation facilities, but no longer need community halls as school halls could really fill a gap here



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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Support

#### Tell us why

The ideas and goals as set out in the plan are well thought through. It remains to be seen whether funding and other constraints actually produce the goods.

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Again, the talk is good but I know of several clubs that have needed 'grants' funding who have not been able to get anything. Why that is, I am not able to say but also, the situation with the Howick Information Centre is a prime example where reality doesn't match with the community's expectations.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

I think that any focus on improving the health of the Hauraki Gulf, has to be a 'no brainer' and reducing emissions is also somewhat positive however, the current political climate is, I feel, only designed as a 'feel-good' exercise for politicians, while often being hugely detrimental to the vast majority of ordinary NZers. Everything that we do is undone by the major players in the world, while our government wants us to lead the world, while going broke doing it.

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Support

**Tell us why**

Please also refer to my comments in question 1 - The ideas and goals as set out in the plan are well thought through. It remains to be seen whether funding and other constraints actually produce the goods.

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Partially support

### **Tell us why**

The geography and population size of Auckland is such that it is almost impossible to create a public transport system that serves the majority of Aucklanders' needs. Unfortunately, Auckland transport has ideological blinkers on when it comes to this topic and recent proposed (and sometimes rejected) road changes prove this. For instance, to have a bus service that meets the needs of residents (say) wanting to go from most places in Pakuranga to (say) the Bucklands Beach Yacht Club for a meal and return home afterwards, is likely to involve a period of walking and 2 bus trips (each way) with the total time travelling on the round trip of approximately one and a half hours, if you can even get a bus at the time you want, as opposed to a 7 minute car trip. To have bus services that go every half hour even, you would need a population much bigger than we have to be anything like sustainable, so the focus has to be making roads faster (not slower) to cope with both the increasing number of residents needing to move quickly to destinations that require a person to travel into the city and back out to where they want to go, and normal commercial and daily residential chores that require a vehicle other than a bus, ferry, train or bicycle.

If vehicle free movement was a priority, in the case of the new Reeves Road flyover - presumably to address this very issue, why would anyone put 2 sets of pedestrian crossings at each side of the Pakuranga Town centre, complete with all the traffic lights and other paraphernalia when I am reasonably sure that pedestrian over-bridges would not only be comparable in price and, even if more expensive, would save the country \$millions in the long run with the free flow of traffic through the area?

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Support

**Tell us why**

Sounds good!

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I think that I have covered my thoughts regarding climate change measures in a previous question. My comment would be that climate change is not only a reality now but it inevitable that it will get worse, certainly in my lifetime. I am yet to see politicians, central or local, focusing on the only real solution - and that is to create an environment where life can be sustained relatively comfortably, when temperatures and weather events are vastly different to those of today. People in some parts of the world adapted and live in minus temperatures for most of the year as do others at the other end of the scale. What it needs is people with vision who can create the necessary changes to the way we live, not hand-wringers who want to tax everything that emits in the hope that people will suddenly stop driving their cars and stop their cows from farting! The stupidity of it all is that the manufacture of an EV battery is far worse the emissions I may make with my fossil fueled car, but because that is done by some unseen overseas entity, it's all OK!

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Absolutely support this approach. I grew up in an age where you only purchased what you could afford. If you didn't have enough money for a lounge suite when you got married, you sat on boxes with a cushion until you could afford it. This made you appreciate it all the more and made you look after things. Today's society is too 'easy-come, easy go' - you have to live within your means.



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

I think the focus on people, community, environment, and public transport is about right. East Auckland likes to turn our noses up at public transport but this is a result of having few options available to us. If you advocate for and give us decent, reliable, and frequent connections, going towards the city centre (where most people work!), I really believe we will get out of our cars.

I think a focus on encouraging democratic participation is needed too though. I appreciate the efforts our elected members but where is the representation among different groups in society? I think you could take a more active role in this space.

I appreciate the mention of building up community infrastructure in Botany/Flat Bush/Ormiston. I mentioned in the first round of feedback that it feels like the priorities of Howick Local Board are focussed in Howick and Pakuranga. We don't see you often out this way in Flat Bush, and I think partially this is because we don't really have community facilities for this purpose. We need our library/community centre in Ormiston. It's been delayed too long and I think it hinders community connection and belonging.

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Pest free programmes are great. But I think there is more we could be doing. Good start.

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Do not support



**Tell us why**

I see under-investment in Flat Bush/Ormiston being an ongoing problem, as mentioned above.

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More needed in public transport/walkability/cycling.

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Support

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I worry about complacency in the climate change space. Very few of us were (fortunately) affected by the climate events in January and February. Ongoing efforts needed in awareness and emergency preparedness.

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Still waiting for Flat Bush/Ormiston library/community centre AND the aquatic centre.



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#### Tell us why

The plan talks about protecting our safety in the community, yet right smack in the middle of Huntington Park, along Guys Road, Kaigna Ora is building and developing 48 houses to be used as Public/State Houses, which we felt would jeopardise the safety of the community given the likely occupants in those houses. Residents of Huntington Park strongly opposes the plans by KO to use those as Public Housing, especially given that KO DID NOT consult the residents about the plans to develop the area until the development was well underway. This development should be stopped immediately!

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Partially support

### Tell us why

I support what it contains but am deeply disappointed there is no mention of a destination playground or upgrading our playgrounds at all. Yes Flat bush needs investment but so does Pakuranga! Cockles bay and howick have had small upgrades to their playgrounds but for the largest local board in Akl we have the crappiest playgrounds. Our local ones in pakuranga are so sad, 40 years old probably. Local board members have nit gotten back to me for when they'll be upgraded. There's nothing for tourists to come for! Nothing for other aucklanders to venture over to East auckland for! Nothing to cater for families except tired or small playgrounds only suitable for 5 year olds. Where are the kids cycle tracks, pump tracks, flying fox, hamster wheels, large slides and climbing frames? Every single parent I talk to is disgusted with what we have and travel to takapuna, Northcote, botanic gardens, Henderson, massey to visit decent play areas. Shame on you all for not seeing this huge opportunity. Yes expensive but so necessary. Even our local pool is yuck, nothing interesting for older kids no inflatable obstacle course in the holidays, we had to travel to the mt albert, the Albany or the Henderson pools for something exciting and clean.

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**Tell us why**

How can families be active on shoddy old playgrounds and few walk/cycle paths

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

Not really sure what working with mana whenua will do. More like partnering with east auckland trappers or providing a solution for backyard possums to get rid of them

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

Yes, reduce costs get rid of some building. Invest in outdoor spaces, playgrounds. Yes alot of money but if you don't young families are nit going to stay. The traffic, no train lines, the terrible playground options will leave the area like howick, just full of retirees

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Definitely need to ensure vibrancy but not just in howick. What about poor pakuranga and the sad plaza?

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

Nice ideas but without drawcard like...can you guess...destination playground at lloyd elsmore with cafe and walking/biking/mobility accessible tracks then why would anyone come or stay here. Employment opportunities are low in east auckland, very hard to



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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#### Tell us why

Is all that effort needed

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**Tell us why**

sounds fair

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**Tell us why**

Not sure every public building needs Maori design input

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more public transportation moves can only help

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Support

**Tell us why**

sounds like a good initiative

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

All waffle in the draft - can't see any signs of any initiatives

Need definitive action points - where is the detail on spending??

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

As per above comment - draft is all waffle & no action

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As per other comments

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How this draft can be called a plan is beyond me. Seems you have paid some consultants to write up a corporate document - there’s simply no detail in how you are going to achieve any of these goals



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Again I find this draft document a pointless exercise as simply no detail in here

No wonder Councils are not popular with ordinary folk when are you going to get in the real world & start talking language that engages with locals?

Seems to me this is a huge pointless exercise that is a waste of money

Need to relay specifically what plans you have to improve the area



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The proposed raised pedestrian crossings on ti rakau dr will create worse congestion. The disruption caused during the construction of the eastern busway far outweighs any perceived benefit. The buses are terribly unreliable, hence barely used.

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Still trying to support community groups which is very much needed!

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Howick local board grants are very much appreciated and needed by local community groups.

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Being sustainable is the way forward and supporting that is needed to make Auckland somewhere I want my children and grandchildren to be.

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I’m still undecided if the AT changes are too little too late

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I guess it depends which facilities you are closing if you finding clever ways for spaces/halls/sports areas to be multi purpose so they utilised as much as possible I support it. Selling buildings for the sake of selling them I don't support.





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Partially support

#### Tell us why

The exponential growth of housing in Ormiston is in dire need of public transport accessibility and infrastructure.

Also the provision of parks and playgrounds are lacking especially around Murphys Road/ Murphys Park

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Ormiston needs the provision of library and basic parks and l

Playground



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#### Tell us why

The doc shows good intent, in some instances' it appears they are just filling in space. for example under Our Places, our plan one key initiative is to investigate partnerships with privately owned town centres to support local business. Considering the state of Pakuranga mall and the business's leaving what do you expect to achieve or how do you expect make this a vibrant place.

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Support

#### Tell us why

The intent looks to bring together all groups and engage all groups which can only benefit everyone. I don't see in the "our people" section any safety initiatives.

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Our environment is very important and needs protecting and safe guarding. Once again thou we need action and not just conversations with vested groups that go nowhere.

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**Tell us why**

Considering the population is only going to grow and with the infill house currently taking place the comment on reducing our asset portfolio as noted in paragraph 4 makes no sense. If the older buildings become over time more expensive to maintain then the building should be raised and a new building constructed in its place.

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**Tell us why**

Improve commuter experience should be the first thought considering the Howick ward has no train service, poor bus service and even the work on the current transport corridor will not assist those traveling from Howick/Pakuranga to East Tamaki, which has been in the planning stage for 20 years before any work on site started.

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The only way to meet our climate goals would be to construct a train service that operated every 10 mins during the week and every 20 mins during the weekend to provide world class public transport. Even the current bus and ferry service is sub standard to the extent at low

tide the ferries can not dock at Half Moon Bay. To improve Maori outcomes we need to bring them along and not neglect their needs to past injustices.

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What control does the local board have over the maintaining of buildings or services when contracts are already in place with city wide companies. The only reduction we could look at is the differing of refurbishing existing buildings.



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#### Tell us why

Flatbush needs a pool and library

Also the housing situation is very cramped. Council should not allow houses so close to each other.

The apartments and townhouses are hopeless. So many in a small area. How did it even get approved.

Roads too narrow so limited parking.

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

Really bad houses and buildings getting built and approved.

No privacy, can see right into the next property inside out.

Super cramped

How is it legal and ethical

Just money making

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#### **Tell us why**

Just taking land after land in Flatbush

So many poor creatures that came before us are starving and dying as their land has been taken.

What a shame

Not leaving even small forest area or park. Bulldozing the entire forest and making concrete jungle

No hope for mankind!

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What proposal

Noting here in Flatbush

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

There is nothing you are doing for flat bush/ormiston

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**Tell us why**

The roading in flat bush is horrible and particularly flat bush school road is a single lane on each side with huge lined backing up each way but no plans to develop wider roading? This is horrible plannibg

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#### Tell us why

Different areas in the community, and different demographics, have differing needs which cannot be met without a bottomless bucket of money.

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I question whether supporting diversity is really the task of the board. Surely covering the basics should be the principal area of focus.

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This is really a whole lot of "feel good" waffle. Again, back to basics please.

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**Tell us why**

Once more, an attempt to be all things to all people. Many of our ratepayers are so financially strapped they can't afford existing rates, much less the increase which will go partly towards all of these "nice to haves"

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

The busway is a waste of money.

I am a fit older person and it takes me 10 minutes to walk to the nearest bus stop (not the busway). I could not manage on public transport.

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Suburbs are growing. FLATBUSH is becoming a poor cousin, this will invite social problems little or no community connectedness no library no leisure centre nowhere to experience AC directives what are those residents paying rates for?? We are inviting problems

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#### Tell us why

Need more scrutiny about grants and outcomes. Need some health and wellbeing proactive approaches. Alcohol outlets reduction and scrutiny on council contractors not doing job on waste dumping.

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OLWT doing a great job but some connecting of gps required to have a connected voice.AC Waste services needs to be taken to task very poor design and community hub support for Howick LB

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Need community empowered kaitiaki endorsed by LB

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Speed restrictions not working in some areas. Intuitive signage required like school time signs

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More historical signage, storytelling .pepeha and mihi understanding missing. Old Howick European centric

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Make is Flatbush centric we have no community centre



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Would love the swim centre and library in Flat bush/ Ormiston

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When are you going to build Ormiston library, indoor pools and other facilities like the one in Lloyds Elsmore? Ormiston have grown bigger and deserved to have their own facilities.

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It's not specific enough.

There are no practical support measures for the community.

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Most of the initiatives go to select community groups. Look over the funding applications and applications and you will see a pattern.

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Other community groups are doing what they can without pay or funding to clean, repair and ensure community and environmental safety .

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Again, our facilities are dominated by particular community groups. We need more pools , cycle ways , access to bikes and bike hubs. Repair cafes and community spaces that include everyone.

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With infill housing we know face no marked roads in suburbs. Parked car over crowding on roads and accidents daily. T2 lanes we did not want are still enforced.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

No Māori businesses supported.

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Hold more consultation and be genuine.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Howick Local Board fooled us in to thinking it was fighting to keep our assets but have secretly sold them.



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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

**Tell us why**

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

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Support

**Tell us why**

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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Support

**Tell us why**

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Do not support

**Tell us why**



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Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support

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### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

The principles behind the plans are reasonable

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

My question would be, "How much of a raise in rates will this plan result in?" or "Is there likely to be a reduction of rates through looking at cost effective measures?"

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

See above.

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Support

**Tell us why**

see above

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

How much will I lose out on, personally? I ask this because I know my current address is going to be directly affected.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

see above

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no

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

As long as it does not compromise public safety and security.



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### Howick Sailing Club

**Local Board:** Howick

#### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

It has breadth and depth - does a good job at touching all the key audiences

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

#### Tell us why

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

This is particularly important to us at Howick Sailing Club. We appreciate the challenges and look forward to working with HLB to meet the needs of the Club. We have always had a great relationship and been fortunate with support. We hope to carry that on.



**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

Themes around People, Environment, Community, Places & Economy are very good. In particular it's great to see the plan strong on Maori outcomes and recognising our Marae, Iwi and Hapu. This wasn't always the case in Howick in the recent past.

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

#### Tell us why

These initiatives provide good opportunities for engagement

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Support

**Tell us why**

There are few things more important than responding to climate change, and to be seen to be responding. At a more local level it's great to see increased recognition of the importance of streams and stream health.

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Support

**Tell us why**

A rationalisation of facilities is sensible and may even produce better outcomes and a higher quality service. Some historical use patterns with vested interests probably do need to be challenging.

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Support

**Tell us why**

Public transport is critical for Howick and Auckland. I urge you not to be distracted by local MP's who campaign against bus services, bus lanes and pedestrian crossings, and others in the community who seem to actively discourage the use of public transport. These people must be challenged.

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Overall I think it is a very good plan.

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Support

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See my comment under 4 above



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support



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Partially support

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Do not support

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Support

#### Tell us why

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

#### Tell us why

Agree with plan. Council should also push for digitally connecting people locally, since civic and local participation is still too hard to discover and participate, especially for youth and mobility-impaired.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

Agree with plan. Council should also find creative solutions to ensure transport and major hubs are shielded from major natural disasters. Other local boards (e.g. Waitemata) have this objective.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

Agree with plan. Council should also proactively assess and provide targeted grants for transformative technology, such as AI which has both a relatively-low carbon footprint and versatile application.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Council-owned facilities provide necessary functions that are unlikely to be met commercially. For example, Botany Library does not have an equitable commercial model for supporting student studying. Prioritise selling high-upkeep but underutilised buildings first.



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I don't know

**Tell us why**

Not enough detail to comment on

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

I think activities should be for the whole district - not sub groups - support Xmas Parade not Chinese festival, Indian festival, etc

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Love the walking tracks but feel bikes should be allowed on footpaths to encourage more usage. Don't believe we need Maori consultants to achieve this.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Why not rent the owned buildings out. I believe we should retain all parks & reserves.

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

I can't see the purpose in continuing to run nearly empty large busses. Put small busses / vans on when demand is low.

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Support

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Concentrate on the core business of providing necessary services and not financing things we don't need such as whitewater rafting etc.



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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

I think community facilities are necessary for all communities. These services educate & stimulate our people



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### Your feedback

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

I would like to see a reduction in not only specialized vape shops ( SVS ) but, the banning of advertising sandwich boards, restriction on advertising & greater scrutiny on shops selling vape products to underage children. We have to do everything we can to prevent our kids getting access to these products & getting addicted. I cant understand why the council enforces consent from neighbors about building alterations yet communities have no say over how many or the positioning of harmful businesses like vape, alcohol, fast food, gambling who actively exploits the vulnerable for profits.

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Prevention is always better than a cure - proactive rather than reactive - bold instead of lazy.

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**Tell us why**

to hard to comment here - such a massive subject.

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Support

**Tell us why**

getting people out of cars is really important in many ways - the problem is waterways & geography in AKL make this difficult. public transport & better tech on ride share etc is the way forward.

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**Tell us why**

Petrol out East AKL is sometimes 15-20 cents more than south auckland. I use Gaspoly & vote with my feet. But I feel current levels are price gouging. Again I would like to see a reduction of shops selling vape products & a ban on advertising such as sandwi

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I haven't been to Lloyd Elsmore pool since my kids were small but I was super surprised it was free. East Akl is a pretty affluent area, I reckon even a gold coin donation per family or per adult would be OK to contribute to cost.



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Lack of detail on how you propose to do this

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Detail desperately needed -- what exactly are your plans and how much is going to cost from the budget of \$36m

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lacks a case by case study on any asset sale

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Where is the partnership with Pakuranga (ghost) Towncentre and how does the Eastern Busway bring opportunities residents who live north of Pakuranga towncentre

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**Tell us why**

sounds fantastic - but what does it mean and how much will it cost

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equality should be prime, our aspirations should be as New Zealanders and not one small section of society. Then as a united people we could look at climate change through equal eyes



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what part of service is actually a building? I do not get this and at what cost



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Need for local board emergency response plan (why this isn't a thing already is another inquiry), and need to reduce self-reliance of larger scale community organisations and events. However, due to the low demand in the local board's population being able to be pedestrianised (able to cycle or walk to urban centres), small-medium community run groups would need to be subsidised through council funding. This issue can be applied to the board's measures for culture and art, as the low demand/interest for community-based arts and

visual arts would remain low due to poor initiatives in the local community and poor rates of pedestrianisation.

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A community-led climate action plan MUST be rapidly developed in response to a declared Climate Emergency. This, alongside the seemingly not present local board emergency response plan, in the wake of the Auckland Anniversary flooding and Cycle Gabrielle needs to be a high priority issue to put into effect. Community groups involved in the preservation and restoration of Howick's ecological areas would need to require more administrative powers to better allocate resources and begin work on climate-adapting infrastructure before damages could hit. Failure to do so would result in increased costs developing future infrastructure to handle our waterways, new housing density, and road arteries.

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Sell off / privatise larger-sized community assets that are unable to accommodate or promote large groups or community events within the next few years, due to the low pedestrianisation demand in the local board, and due to facilities being available for larger acts in other parts of the Auckland region. Important to then subsidise micro to smaller community events and activities to build more local connections and give more opportunities for residents wanting to host their own events for the community.

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Advocating in funding and increase in services from Auckland Transport is highly required in the current transport infrastructure state of the local board. More local board or community intervention is needed in managing and improving roading, cycleway and walkway infrastructure to achieve less pedestrian casualties and ensure a comfortable and safe passage for pedestrians commuting to urban centres in the board. Negligence in this field of the board has resulted in poor pedestrianisation rates for the local community, therefore there's an urgent need for future planning and investment into this field in preparation of the Eastern Busway demand, housing intensification, and growth of the board's population in the next few years.

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Poor community incentives and activation, especially within schooling and urban areas, have resulted in a slow or decline in the board's economic recovery. Future planning and incentives in intensified areas, such as Pakuranga town centre and Ormiston, wo

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**Tell us why**

The Busway project seems to be build it and they will come. The Pakuranga corridor that the buses use seems vastly underutilized.

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## HOWICK LOCAL BOARD DRAFT PLAN 2023: SUBMISSION

### *Background*

The Shelly Park area is part of the rohe of Ngai Tai ki Tamaki. There are a large number of archaeological sites in the valley and the area was important for estuary fishing, transit and cultivation prior to the arrival of Europeans.

From about 1843, the Shelly Park area started to become settled by Europeans, and the sand spit became a popular point for ferries to disembark passengers headed for Howick. By 1880 a wharf was constructed at the end of the sand spit to allow ferries to disembark passengers more easily.

Since then, the estuary, landing, and sand spit area have been used for recreation, transit, and recreational boating activities, as well as the beach area being used for swimming.

Since the establishment of the Mangemangeroa walk way between Shelly Park and the top of Somerville Road, the beach area has been the principal access or egress to the walking track.

In 1959 the Shelly Park Cruising Club was established at the eastern of the reserve.

### *Shelly Park Cruising Club*

The club was formed in 1959 by a small group of locals who had boats that they needed moorings for, and the need for mutual assistance with the maintenance of those boats and their moorings. A major part of the club as it was founded, and as it continues to be, is recreational and community focused with summer cruises, boat races, family picnics and working bees to maintain the public reserve.

The club remains one of the last boating clubs of its kind in Auckland where members provide mutual assistance to each other in all aspects of boating and in caring for the reserve and estuary coastline.

The club currently has 120 members and supports the Harbour Master to oversee 65 permanent swing moorings in the estuary.

The club is self-supporting both financially and in caring for its environment including maintenance of the public reserve.

Facilities include:

- a clubhouse with secure storage below
- haul-out and short-term hard stand facilities for club members
- emergency mooring facilities
- service grid for hull cleaning, with fresh water (collected from rainfall) and power supply.
- active 24/7 security for the area including the public reserve.
- secure workshop, storage, and rubbish collection facilities

The club takes responsibility for:

- **maintenance of the local reserve area on behalf of Council including lawns, pathways, and waterfront**
- training and assistance for those new to small craft
- assistance and support for the local Sea Scout facilities on the reserve
- day-to-day management of the 65 moorings on behalf of the harbourmaster
- where required, reconstruction of foreshore and reinstatement of beachfront
- reserve track maintenance
- regular surveillance of all moored vessels in the estuary even if not in the club
- working with owners to ensure that unseaworthy vessels are not hazardous to navigation, nor environmentally unsound
- clearing rubbish and plastic from the beach and reserve on a regular basis.

Importantly, the club provides the only recreational water facilities of its type in the region. The club is self-managing, requires little support from Council, owns its facilities, manages the reserve and waterway on behalf of Council, and provides recreational waterfront and boating facilities to any person who wishes to participate.

### ***Legal requirements***

Harbourmaster and gulf environmental rules have quite rightly changed in the last few years to ensure ongoing and improved environmental management of the Hauraki Gulf.

The club plays an important part in this by:

- providing training and advice to boat owners on hull maintenance and environmental management
- providing approved hull cleaning facilities at the service grid
- providing haul out and hard stand facilities and management for the region
- managing and maintaining foreshore and reserve on behalf of Council
- managing and properly disposing of significant amounts of rubbish
- providing an environment in which locals can actively contribute to and participate in the environmental protection of the Gulf

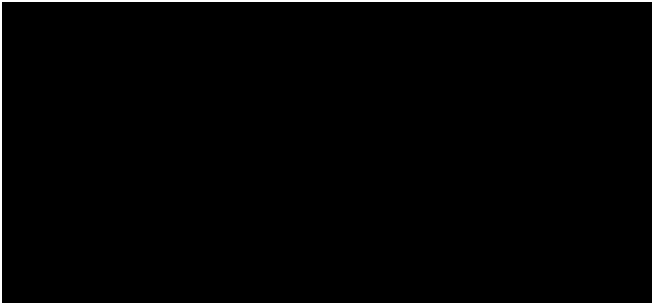
### *Conclusion*

The Shelly Park Cruising Club has been an active contributor to seaside recreation and conservation in the Howick Board area for the last 64 years.

It is a "self-service" club, with minimal annual fees, and a strong and active membership. Key activities include environmental training and management, the provision of seaside and boating based recreational and boat maintenance facilities, the management of estuary moorings and safety on behalf of the harbourmaster, and importantly, maintenance and management of the reserve and waterfront.

The club appreciates the support and advice from both the Howick Local Board and Council and will continue to provide its facilities and membership to residents in the wider Howick region.

Marcus Butterfield- Commodore Shelly Park Cruising Club (Inc)





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I support additional effort being placed on public transport, active modes, and local libraries.

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#### Tell us why

Support the Howick Youth Council (HYC) in providing a sandbox for youth development and as a provider of youth initiatives and events.

And support and create new initiatives to empower youth voices in local decision-making - as to make the area more attractive to young people (net population loss in younger demographics currently). HYC's work is essential, but Auckland Council decisions continue to be made by people who are not representative of the region.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Extend library hours at Botany Library, 7 days a week to 8pm, to cater for growing demand as the area's most patronised library - and due to lack of library in Flat Bush, Ormiston area. Extended hours are unnecessary at Howick/Highland/Pakuranga. Continue to promote a Flat Bush Aquatic & Leisure Centre and the Flat Bush Community Centre and Library as a medium-term capex project.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Advocate to Auckland Transport (AT) to expedite delivery of public transport and active modes investment.

Support more interim bus lanes as part of Eastern Busway construction. Do not support Reeves Road Flyover.

Advocate to AT to expedite delivery of bus lanes and cycle lanes on Pakuranga Road. Clarify to make the T2 lanes on the road permanent. Advocate to expedite the construction of a new bus and walking bridge connecting Hope Farm Avenue (was referred to in the CATR consultation).

Support cycle lanes, as proposed by e.g. Business East Auckland

Advocate to AT for more bus-only and walking/cycling bridges where they are useful to avoid traffic chokeholds or dog-leg routes. Also advocate for pedestrian/cycling cut-through paths where there are geographic barriers like in cul-de-sacs or difficult street patterns. Examples include in Burswood.

Do not support the East-West Link project due to its ability to generate new traffic and congestion on local roads. Support bus lanes and cycling lanes.

Provide leadership in providing strategic guidance in town centre development. While Howick and Pakuranga have plans, they are either outdated or have lapsed in delivery. Please update these plans to provide greater certainty for community stakeholders.

Additionally, consider local plans for the Meadowlands and Highland Park, alongside Botany and Ormiston local areas. These areas currently do not have local spatial plans despite their potential for future growth. If private landowners are providing resistance, please advocate for additional resourcing or powers in order to allow HLB to have greater strategic direction-setting, as the community needs to have stakeholding somehow.

Implement a targeted transport rate - similar to the Rodney Local Board - in order to support increases in service frequency and operating hours for existing bus services in the HLB area. Alternatively, advocate expediting their upgrade delivery to AT. Advocate to AT to create a 10-

Year Transport plan in the East Auckland area to provide certainty to community stakeholders - along the lines of the Waiheke 10-Year Transport Plan that already exists with the Waiheke Local Board.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Support additional measures to deliver BIDs in Highland Park, Pakuranga, and Meadowlands. Support additional mixed-use development in these centres with Panuku.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Support redevelopment of underutilised facilities into mixed-use developments.

Do not support the sale of any libraries. Do not support sale of Howick Leisure Centre.



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### Your feedback

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Partially support

**Tell us why**



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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

Provide groups or people with litter collection equipment that they can borrow.

Provide more events for the community to be involved in with planting, clearing - partnering with groups and schools.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Repurpose pockets of wet unused soggy grass, there are areas along the fence lines at the edges of these reserves that Townhouses could be built, that would not impact the working part of reserve (Sommerville park 99R Sommerville Rd, Clydesdale Park Rd)

No one uses the following spaces for recreation, Council is tasked with paying for them to be mown: Cr Botany Rd & Andrew Rd Botany Park, Yeoman Park, 17R Larkin Place North Park, they do not bring any value to the community, with no council assets.

Provide more services from the Library, CAB.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Improve PT from Meadowland to Panmure, peak time takes 50mins 72x. Connectivity from Pakuranga to Howick /Meadowlands, Cockle Bay is dangerous for cyclists or Escooter uses no option other than car or bus, main Rds are gridlocked.

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**Tell us why**

How can you say you are wanting to create new employment opportunities when Council is reducing staffing numbers, when you as a LB intend to cut staff from your local office and libraries to make budget?

Stop handing out grants to clubs that could easily

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Recycling/upcycling facilities in east Auckland like Wairakei, more advertising and options on how to dispose of dangerous items.

Improve PT from Howick to Panmure, peak time takes 50mins provide more eco friendly options from Howick to main transport hubs.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

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Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Sports clubs can generate their own funding, why should council pay - the arts/dance/music do not get the same funding that is assigned to sports.

The ability for all to access Library services seven days a week is essential, Libraries are one service that every member of society can participate and utilise, regardless of income. Increase the services provided from the buildings operate CAB service.

Community Facilities, pools, Kauri Kids ECE need to be retained and further invested in. ECE is the gateway for families to continue engaging with Council facilities and programs.

Increase Hall hire fees, members who use should pay, they complain enough if anything is wrong with a facility.

Start expecting groups such as the scout groups that lease Council buildings to maintain the buildings through working bees utilising the talents and skills of the parents and users, instead of them asking for funding grants from the LB.



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Do not support

#### Tell us why

The plan needs to recognise there is more than just ONE culture living in East Auckland - start thinking about all cultures and their needs

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Support

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**Tell us why**

Would be great to have a decent play area installed in Lloyd Elsmore Park for all families to use instead of traveling kms to south Auckland Hayman Park - we too deserve decent facilitates for our children to play on - East Auckland is more than FlatBush/Ormiston i thought.

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**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

How about helping East Auckland households get access to affordable water tanks and solar power for their homes. Wouldn't this be a great start to helping the community help with the Local Board climate change goals

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The community facilities that are performing well and assisting the community should be helped and encouraged.



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Support

**Tell us why**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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Excellent draft plan. Fully support your commitment to maori outcomes and environmental initiatives.

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Support

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Key initiatives

- empower community groups and organisations to co-deliver projects with Auckland Council, and to take action to protect and maintain community assets.

I trust that this includes the former Howick Information Centre now used as a community meeting facility. The only useful alternative that I could support is to bowl that entire area and create a civic square.

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

I support any action which helps clean up the beaches for safe recreational pursuits (eg swimming) and the survival of shellfish beds - which are part of our natural heritage.

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#### **Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

#### **Tell us why**

You will not protect our natural environment by removing trees. In fact, that is counterproductive to some of your other initiatives. I refer to the flawed ideological approach by the Maungatapu Authority which appears to be working (destructively) without the promised oversight of the Auckland Council. Their activities (cutting down mature exotic trees) have contributed to soil erosion and are based on the flawed argument that they intend to restore the maunga to their original pre-colonial (read British) state. Please be aware that Maori were the first colonisers and removed the original vegetation all by themselves (for firewood, to build whare and kumara pits, to create unimpeded views of their surroundings. You can see this in old photographs - no vegetation on the maunga at all, completely bare.

You refer to mana whenua. Local iwi lost their mana in this area when they had fled in the face of better armed tribal enemies.

An important aspect of environmental protection is rubbish collection and disposal.

Re-cycling: Auckland has a waste management plan (2012) which has had some success but let's now target curbside re-cycling. Some time ago I saw on TV that so much of yellow-top bin material cannot be re-cycled because of contamination. Only about 16% is clean and re-cyclable. (Glass, cans, plastics, cardboard.) The contaminated truckloads go straight to landfill.

On my street, I've seen nappies, dog hair, cleaning rags, garden material in the bin for recyclables. Thus, the whole truckload of re-cyclables from our street will go to landfill.

Suggestion: Target young people through schools. In many households, it's the

youngsters who are given the job of taking out the rubbish. I think most schools would welcome council sponsored activity sheets on responsible curbside re-cycling. Yes, there's

information on the website but I'm suggesting properly structured, age-related lesson plans with a few photos, stats and graphs on the Do's and Don'ts and benefits to us all. (say 'a few' because it's easy for some eager beaver (bureaucrat?) to kill interest by overloading a subject with stats.)

If we could lift that 16% by even 5%, it would be worthwhile.

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

I do not trust the AC in this respect. Their tactic is to increase rent on council (read community) buildings and when prospective tenants back off, declare that the building is unused and superfluous to requirements and will be sold.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Parking for cars: Traffic Bylaw 2012 allows AT to set requirements for parking and control of traffic on the roads under their care, control or management.



Usually adequate in Howick-Pakuranga but the board needs to promote the idea of restricting 24/7 leases on parking areas city-wide. The waste of parking space in the city in weekends and evenings when businesses are closed (eg banks) but have a 24/7 lease on their parking spaces eg's bank parking Osborne Street, Newmarket; Victoria Street Markets (around Union Street). These parking spaces sit empty while visitors in cars go begging - which does not help businesses attract custom.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

I can't think of any reasons why Maori should have special treatment.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

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Who decides what those key facilities are?



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### Sport Auckland

**Local Board:** Albert-Eden

### Your feedback

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Support

#### Tell us why

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We believe it will meet the needs of the local community and is on point and aligned with trying to give everyone a sense of belonging. We specifically support "Supporting people in our diverse communities to be strong, resilient, inclusive and healthy, and who actively participate to make our area a wonderful, safe place to live, work and play". (Outcome 1) We see strong synergies with our own vision of "inspiring our communities to live healthy active Lives". We support that the local board is Supporting community participation with our services and facilities and maintain them in such a way as to efficiently provide maximum benefit for our area. (Outcome 3). It is also important to be supporting growth, development and transport by promoting vibrant town centres, better, more accessible public transport and greater connectivity with schools, key community facilities and transport hubs. (Outcome 4).

All of the above is mirrored in our strategic plan as well which has of goal of building community capability through partnering and supporting organisations that provide quality play, sport and active recreation, through a primary target audience of Tamariki and Rangatahi. Sport Auckland as a service provider to the community is committed to working

closely, again, with the Local Board to assist the Local Board, where we can, with achieving its intended outcomes.

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

We specifically support that the board writes that “The health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for this local board plan and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected, active and healthy community. We want to promote wellbeing and to ensure we are part of an inclusive society where everyone feels valued, respected, supported and safe. We will support community organisations to develop their capacity and attract volunteers. We want to foster community involvement in projects and services, and promote self-sufficiency.” Through our strategic plan, we aim to build community capability through partnering and supporting community organizations that provide quality play, sport and active recreation, and there are visible reflections of this in the plan through the objective that states “People actively contribute to their community through the initiatives:

Support community groups to become more sustainable by promoting volunteering and efficiency to help build capacity to successfully serve their communities      More groups become self-sufficient

Empower community groups and organisations to co-deliver projects with Auckland Council, and to take action to protect and maintain community assets Community groups take ownership of projects

Sport Auckland would like to be partnering with the local board, if so desired, in the achievement of the aforementioned objectives.

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this areas of focus**

I don’t know

**Tell us why**

While supporting the local board in principle, we acknowledge that we are no experts on the subject. However we would like to be able to help in our little capacity to the objective of reducing emissions by promoting alternative modes of transport like biking and scootering.

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

We thoroughly support the plan on this objective. Specifically “We will work with local clubs and organisations to address capacity concerns and support them to build their resilience and capability by encouraging sharing and better utilisation of existing facilities.

However, we must also face the reality that there is a growing gap between the cost of renewing our facilities and the budget we have to maintain and renew those facilities. To better manage, we must consider how our assets are best used and if they continue to be fit for purpose or sustainable in light of a growing population and continuing budgetary challenges. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset

portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings. This may also lead to more focusing on maintaining our important assets before constructing new ones.

Despite this challenge, we will continue to advocate for the development of the Flat Bush Multi-use Library and Community Centre to provide a much needed community facility in the Flat Bush / Ormiston area of the Howick Local Board.”

This is mirrored in the Sport Auckland strategic plan and we have been working even previously towards delivering the objectives of building community club capabilities and resilience.

On the assets front, we would like to suggest Sport & active recreation be added to the community facility in the plans at Barry Curtis Park. There is a crying need for infrastructural investment in the area and we have been working with multiple clubs to bring them together for one such proposal which would be in line with the stated challenge in the plan “• Encouraging and supporting local clubs to look for opportunities to share and better utilise existing facilities and resources.”

More generally, we would love to be in partnership with the local board to achieve the stated objectives of :

Sports and recreational opportunities respond to the needs of our communities      Continue to support a multi-club and code facility at Lloyd Elsmore Park      Facilities we invest in are well utilised and users are satisfied

Explore ways to assist local sports clubs to improve sharing and utilisation of existing facilities and resources, and / or new developments      Explore ways to assist local sports clubs to improve sharing and utilisation of existing facilities and resources, and / or new developments.      Increased collaboration between local sports groups with regards to existing and new facilities and resources

We have been working alongside the local board and otherwise to achieve the above objectives and we hope to be able to continue to do so. We would like to be able to assist the board, if desired, to allocate funding towards infrastructural investments into sport facilities.

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Sport Auckland supports the local board plan on the Maori outcomes , and we would like to offer our support towards this. We have begun working with O Wairoa marae and Te Tuhi to grow play and physical activity in a culturally safe environment which is aligned with the objectives of Kia Ora te Rangatahi and Kia Ora te Hononga. We have taken a lead in bringing the marae to sport clubs to actively advocate for Maori inclusivity in sport clubs.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Sport Auckland advocates for the equitable approach of prioritizing the areas of greatest need where there is also the most rapid housing growth happening. It is our belief that going in depth into areas of need can yield better results in the long term over the approach of a light touch all across. In addition, we would like to suggest that housing developers be encouraged to incorporate green spaces in their development to encourage play, sport and active recreation.



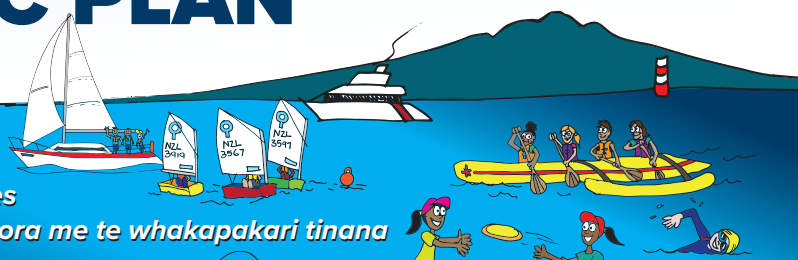


# STRATEGIC PLAN

## 2020 – 2024

### OUR PURPOSE

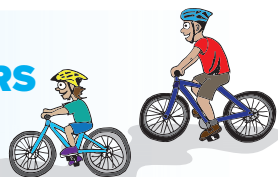
To inspire our communities to live healthy active lifestyles  
 Hei whakaawe i o tātou hapori kia whai i te ara o te hauora me te whakapakari tinana



### OUR FOCUS – To work in areas of need

#### OUR CULTURE & VALUES

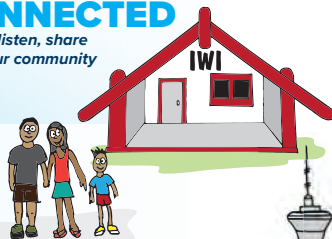
E whakamana ana mātou i ētahi atu  
**WE EMPOWER OTHERS**  
 Through listening to the needs of our whānau and community we are better informed to offer support to enable healthy active lifestyles.



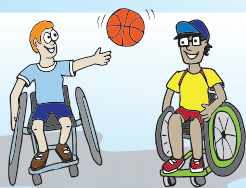
Kua honoa mātou  
**WE ARE CONNECTED**  
 Success is created when we listen, share knowledge and learn from our community members and each other.



E ngākaunui ana mātou  
**WE ARE PASSIONATE**  
 We are humbled and energised to support our whānau and community to live healthy active lifestyles.



Ahako ko wai, he whānau kōtahi tātou  
**WE EMBRACE DIVERSITY**  
 When we understand and embrace diverse and cultural differences we are better positioned to serve the needs of our whānau and communities.



**GOAL 1**  
**INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES**

for quality play, sport and active recreation for our tamariki and rangatahi

**GOAL 2**  
**BUILD COMMUNITY CAPABILITY**

Through partnering and supporting community organisations that provide quality play, sport and active recreation

**GOAL 3**  
**ENABLE HEALTHY LIFESTYLES**

By ensuring our Green Prescription and Active Families participants continue to live healthy active lifestyles beyond graduation





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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

Not happy with too much Maori input. They took over pigeon mountain, stripped it of magnificent old trees because they weren't native, cut down pines + left them to rot in the mountain reducing the area you can walk around. So much for increasing tree coverage - they have done the opposite. The mountain looks derelict + unloved. Used to walk dog up there but it depresses me so much what has been done I don't anymore!

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

There needs to be fair support across a diverse range of ethnicity. Stop waste + budget appropriately so money can be spent on basics that are being ignored like :

Mowing berms, keeping grass short on reserves, sweeping streets, and maintenance of our stormwater network to keep clear of debris.

Buckland's beach now looks third world + I was embarrassed this summer to drive past the mess of totally overgrown Berms, unloved reserves, filthy streets. Our visitors had not been to Auckland in 5 years. They were shocked + disgusted compared to pristine Perth Australia

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

More marine reserves are needed in our gulf to save the scallops crayfish + fish.

Our beaches need protective installation to protect them from inundation by the sea in storms + extreme tides,

Bring back some flower beds in our roundabouts - they are scruffy + overgrown. Look at altars they have lovely garden beds!

Do the maintenance mentioned in my comments under 2.

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

We need to ensure we retain our reserves especially now they are building all these ugly multi unit buildings which will be ghettos in 10 years. I don't understand how the council allows some of these appalling low rate pathetic designs happen in the Bucklands beach area - a high cost land + building area!

These multi units need spaces for families to enjoy outdoors. We need to upgrade our reserves! Make them more appealing to visit. Perhaps some should have pay bbq areas for family outings/gatherings

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Do not support

**Tell us why**

Totally over cycleways taking place of roaring to move the gridlocked streets. AT s focus has been wrong + wasteful. No more reduced speeds in roads! No more cycleways taking up roads. Why can't we put in wider footpaths to accommodate cyclists? Most our footpaths need uograde replacement- widen the oaths like what has been done in Chairl road! Great idea!

No more ridiculous speed bumps - waste of money, increase greenhouse gases with more car emissions, noisy to neighbours and jolly dangerous fir our ambulance fire + police! Where are ATs brains????? FGS!

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

Encourage school leavers to take up work apprenticeships in the area

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

See all my previous comments. Just so sad to see the decline + state of Bucklands beach area - unloved, ignored. Such degradation of council services shocks + upsets me.

Now a 3rd world area despite high land values. I don't understand why it has been ignored!!!

**8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.**

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Upgrade the halls + market them. The hall by Jentucjy fried on Pakuranga highway needs a repaint. The existing paint colour is drab + unappealing. Paint it cream with royal blue features again - get marketing it! It used to be a fab place to hire!



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**Local Board:** Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

Increased connection with Māori, understanding the needs of your growing community in Ormisten. Reducing asset portfolio.

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why****4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

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Support

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Support

**Tell us why**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**





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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

There is no mention of what that would look like in the Ormiston area

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

The plan focuses on continuing to support what's already in place but again does not mention Ormiston area. There were discussions about a recreation centre in the Ormiston area. What's happening with that? When will the residents in this area have someone to go to for their health and well-being?

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Support

**Tell us why**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Same as response to question 2.

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Do not support

**Tell us why**

There is minimal public transport available within the wider Ormiston/Flatbush area. No specific bus goes along Murphys Road or in any of the new development areas. Nor is there any safe walkways along Murphys Road. So for those who don't have their own transport, they are expected to walk on no footpaths along Murphys Road to get to the nearest bus stop. What advocacy is being done to ensure safe passageways and public transport for these residents?

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

I don't know

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

I think that the plan does cover key topics - including climate action, protecting the environment, and supporting communities - and the objectives proposed make sense to me to support our needs.

**2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

I agree with the Objectives and think these are important, I have some concerns over what would happen to community groups or festivals that struggle to become fully self-sufficient.

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

I support and agree with the Objectives and Key Initiatives that are included in the plan under this area. But, I am very concerned that there are not any Objectives explicitly addressing reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. It is essential for all of us to act as soon as possible if we are going to avoid the worst effects of climate change, and so I think the Plan should include more Objectives and Initiatives under the 'Our Environment' theme targeted at this. For instance, developing a climate action plan is listed as an Opportunity, but not an Objective - why? Also, why is there nothing in this section of plan on enabling and supporting community members to make lower emissions lifestyle choices, including but not limited to taking active modes of transport?

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

I agree with and support the initiative proposed. I think that biodiversity benefits and supporting safe and easy access to parks and open spaces for people arriving by transport modes other than cars should also be incorporated in the Key Initiatives.

#### **5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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#### **Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### **Tell us why**

I'm very glad to see ensuring an expanded walking and cycling network around the Eastern Busway development as a priority in the plan. This is a fantastic opportunity to provide more choices for our community in the future, increase connectedness, and make it easier for people to live lower-impact lives while enjoying all the health and wellbeing benefits of active transport. Strongly support this! I am slightly concerned about the complexity of balancing the need for infrastructure to support intensification, with the need to provide housing soon without increasing sprawl. I hope that in response to the challenges identified, scaling up public transport provision can be a priority as part of the response, for example.

#### **6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

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#### **Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### **Tell us why**

To align with other areas of the plan, and ensure we are looking to the future, I think the advocacy for 'improved freight and commuter connectivity' should focus strongly on making the best use of public transport connections and improving active transpo

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

I think that the recognition of climate change as a key challenge is very important, and that meeting climate change goals will be best achieved when all new initiatives under any area of the plan are also weighed in terms of their impact on greenhouse gas emissions. This will support identifying the actions that best deliver emissions reduction alongside other benefits for our people and communities, as well as making sure that the whole plan works together without baking in unintended consequences. It's great to see some examples of this already, for instance through public and active transport initiatives as part of the Our Places plan, or making the new library and community centre and example of sustainable building. I think this could be taken further throughout the plan so that all the proposed Objectives work together to deliver a vibrant, healthy, sustainable future for Howick.

**8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.**

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

I don't know

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

This question isn't clear enough for me to sure what approach I am being asked about. If it is selling council owned buildings, my key concern would be whether any community services deliverd from those buildings can be guaranteed to continue under private ownership.





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### Tamaki Estuary Protection Society (TEPS)

**Local Board:** Howick

#### Your feedback

1. **Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

**Tell us why**

2. **Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus****Tell us why**

The Tāmaki Estuary Protection Society Inc (TEPS) is an Incorporated Society whose members are committed to improving water quality of the Tāmaki Estuary's waterways and enhancing the habitat for local wildlife to achieve healthy, natural biosystems that can sustainably provide positive health benefits for all Tāmaki Makaurau.

TEPS participates in and supports the Tāmaki Estuary Environmental Forum (TEEF), which has the support of local boards surrounding the Tāmaki Estuary.

The Tāmaki Estuary has long been an undervalued natural community asset. For many years the Estuary has been detrimentally affected by under investment in pollution control, stormwater (rainwater) management and ecological restoration needed to protect local species and their habitats from increased urban development.

TEPS focus includes:

Promoting community connection and engagement with the waterways and natural environment of the Tāmaki Estuary.

Achieving improvement in ecological health of the Tāmaki Estuary and its waterways.

Catchment-wide ecological restoration to achieve thriving biodiversity.

This includes advocacy for Local Government to address:

Environmental damage due to cumulative impacts of intensification.

Habitat destruction and biodiversity loss.

Historical failure to remediate the negative impact of human actions.

TEPS request the Local Board include in its Plan the following.

o Awareness of environmental damage due to cumulative impacts of intensification. For example, that the Local Board will:

- o Advocate to the governing body for Watercare to invest in infrastructure that will reduce and prevent sewage overflows into local streams, such as Pakuranga Creek.
- o Note and respond with advocacy to the Governing Body to address coastal erosion due to boat wake damage and rainwater run-off.
- o Monitor proposed and new developments, to ensure they effectively mitigate against and prevent sediment pollution and adverse environmental impacts from increased population density and built structures.
- o Advocate to the Governing Body to respond to community concerns about excessive and inappropriate recreational fishing and shellfish gathering.
- o Awareness of local habitat destruction and biodiversity loss. For example, that the Local Board will:
  - o Advocate to the Governing Body that repeated episodes of stormwater drain pollution events into local streams, such as Pakuranga Creek, be investigated and stopped.
  - o Continue to support the local groups carrying out Pest eradication.
  - o That efforts by White Bait Connection to protect local fish are supported.
  - o Work with Watercare to promote rainwater management literacy in local communities and industrial areas so pollution is does not enter stormwater (rainwater) drains.
  - o Remain vigilant to ensure that local building developers enact mitigation measures to protect native wildlife within local waterways and streams.
- o Historical failure to remediate impacts. For example, that the Local Board will:
  - o Note Auckland Council’s Monitoring Unit (RIMU) has identified that toxic chemicals are increasing within Estuary and river sediments. TEPS requests the Local Board Plan supports education of industry and the wider community about the importance of ‘Only Rain Down the Drain’ – and that the Local Board works with Watercare to raise community wastewater literacy.

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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Do not support

#### Tell us why

Sick of all the Maori being forced upon us that cannot be understood by a huge majority of the population of New Zealand. Is this not just the same as the English being forced upon Maori which they didn't like?

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We are all New Zealanders and should have an equal say not just what the Maori want

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**Tell us why**

Keep the city moving, no need for cycleways as this is a joke. You can't get to work in the city on a cycleway unless you leave for work 2 hours earlier

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Stop with the Maori aspirations this is a racist comment and plan. We are all equal and should be treated as such. New Zealand changes to climate controls will have zero affect and should be stopped, change the way India, China, Russia and the USA and that will make a difference but nothing we waste our money on will change a thing. You are stupid to think it will

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We are an online community these days and have little or no need for buildings. Stop wasting money on them and stick with the online approach



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#### Tell us why

I am not aware there is any provision in the plan to enrich the lives of the citizens of the ward through the provision of cafes and restaurants so as to take advantages of the many undeveloped areas that lie along the edges of the Tamaki Estuary

There are many areas currently in grass that require mowing, that could easily be redeveloped as centres for cafes and dining.

The area apart from several centers such as Half Moon Bay are almost devoid of such waterside places for relaxation.

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No plans to facilitate waterside development.

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**Tell us why**

I would like to see steps taken to separate walking tracks from cycling tracks. Places like the Rotary Walk are where cyclists and pedestrian have a difficult coexistence. Cyclists show a lack of consideration of the safety and comfort of pedestrians by often travelling at excessive speed. It is a difficult experience for both parties.

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The Howick Village is a small cloistered part of the ward and as such should have no greater focus than the other commercial centres.

For example what will the effect on the Pakuranga Plaza be in the next 3 years as a result of the roading developments. I

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These goals need to be balanced against the impact of land rates in their implementation. Times are difficult for most people and expenditure by the council needs to be prioritised.

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Community interests are well reflected overall.

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Need to expand opportunities for individuals outside the community groups and organizations.

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It is necessary to improve the community environment even by expanding the development levy for overcrowded housing areas.

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The consequences of excessive privatization will eventually return to the burden of residents.



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would like to see more protected cycle paths along Ormiston road and Chapel road to link up to the future Botany cycle way

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Would also like to see more protection for local businesses against crime and littering on the streets and antisocial behavior

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the space in Ormiston that was planned for a swimming pool but have been told that is no longer happening. If the council can use the space for a community garden/environmental hub instead it would be a great way to bring the community together to learn to be more sustainable. It would be a better use of the space rather than to build more shops. It would meet our climate goals and at the same time give the community a chance to learn to be sustainable

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Partially support

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We need a library and community center in Ormiston so support what it takes to get this to us but will be sad to lose other facilities in order to do this, especially for residents who have been using them often.



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Support a new library and community centre. This should be done not at the expense of the opening hours of the other existing libraries.

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More public transport is desperately needed in the local board area.

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There should be more emphasis on the need to improve public transport in the area, such as increasing the number of routes to developing areas of Flat Bush and Ormiston, as well as increasing the frequency of existing routes. The board should look into youth spaces in high-traffic areas, such as inside of the Botany mall.



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Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

I don't think selling off buildings is the best way of going about this. Council should consider selling the golf courses that we currently own, as they are taking up a lot of space and are not bringing any benefits to the vast majority of people who can't access those spaces.



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#### Tell us why

planning for well being- liquor licensing needs review and stop. Community spaces need more support specifically for youth- there is currently nothing planned for Flatbush.

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Flatbush has diverse communities and currently no place for them - no community centre look at Otara by comparison. We have no urban marae in Flatbush either

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**Tell us why**

Waste diversion/dealing with dumping takes a huge resource. HLB has no specific waste diversion facilitator or hub for education. The schools program will fail if there is no community based education. Central waste services are not doing anything for the largest LB-why? funding to OLWT NS has stopped. BT do Town centre events How do new residents learn what to do with waste when there is no local education? Take up of compost collective is very poor and will not do the trick. We are not going to be ready for scheduled food waste bin and it will be a failure when with education it could be a total success.

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Get funding/sponsorship for the Flatbush leisure centre /library don't wait.

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**Tell us why**

Get AT to pay for itself- it has a canvas on buses trains needs to get advertising sorted same on ferries. Lots of roading canvas available under-utilised. Ask At what their grads are doing- Marketing grads should be provided with incentives to make this work. We are so far behind Europe and the rest of the world in this regard.

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**Tell us why**

Youth council need a direct link with Business East Tamaki and Business association. The schools Gateway program should link with these orgs as well as Business/enterprise courses on specific tourism promotion. Links with Media courses as a competition

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All grants that involve people putting on food and beverage should have to use a zero waste template as part of the application as an example of how they are meeting zero waste goals. All LB events should be free of balloons and lead the way on Zero waste event- Moth Pod events/Sustainable Sch events example of how to run an event.

All recipients should have compulsory quiz by 10 members on recycle right telling them where they put waste that cannot be recycled. Our charity shops in Howick should express totals of weight /volume they have saved from landfill. All food and beverage outlets should participate in a zero waste program where they compete for best of the bunch minimum waste- it saves them money on waste . We have to walk the talk.

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Support

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You need to publish so people can consider in real terms this is too wide. Priority should be given to the old , young and in need. eg use ECE space multiuse for hireage/community meetings, Ormiston Town centre could be requested to offer space for community- HLB info



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Public transport is not available in Flatbush school road area to cope up with new housing projects. No one has taken actions to resolve the bottlenecks at Murphy rd-Redoubt rd (need to introduce a traffic light system)

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#### Tell us why

Reducing speed limits are not a long term solution. To meet the world standard, we need better road system

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

Climate change is having an increasing impact on the environment and on our daily lives. We will commit to support initiatives that will help improve our natural environment. It is important to maintain healthy, functioning ecosystems throughout the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, as well as the Tamaki Estuary, and the need to both reduce emissions and build local resilience to respond to the changing climate. Working together with mana whenua as kaitiaki of this area will help achieve this.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Easy access public transport system will definitely help to reduce emissions

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

Community participation is critical for the Howick Local Board area. We want to provide places for healthy, active lifestyles to suit our diverse communities in building on our network of parks and open spaces, however we must face the reality of budget restrictions. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why****5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

Howick Local Board is committed to fostering partnerships with local town centres to enhance the vibrancy of the area and support local businesses. The board also acknowledges the importance of a well-connected transport network, and will fully capitalise on the opportunities that the Eastern Busway project brings, including walking cycling networks throughout the local board area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Public transport is not available in well populated flat bush school road area

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

I don't know

**Tell us why****7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**





## Howick Local Board Plan

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### Gracechurch Rates Group

**Local Board:** Howick

#### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

I think the board should just stick to the important issues like roading, rubbish collection. etc

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

How about protecting our local Gracechurch Drive residents by installing street lights, kerb and channel on our street

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this areas of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Council should help out with the open drains and creeks that the road water run off goes into. Help out with plants and erosion control.

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**Tell us why**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Do not support

**Tell us why**

Not everyone can or want to use your cycle ways and walkways. We need money spent on getting the city moving with the roads . It takes alot of time for us contractors to get to different parts of Auckland

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus****Tell us why****7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Our group the Gracechurch Rates Group would like to see our local roads built up the the standard of the rest of the area. Also like to have the services that we pay for in our rates, available to our properties. Like street lights, water, etc.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Do not support

#### Tell us why

The plan looks very similar to the one produced in 2020, however as attached document shows, none of this was relevant to the many attempts at which we tried and failed

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

I support this- however actions speak louder than words. All of them plans created reference simlair looking promises, howver in my experience of trying to make a difference, none of these have had much support.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark- Needs more than \$750K to cater to the wide demographic gap we have and lack of skate spaces

Howick Wellington Street skatepark is rubbish and needs additional features added to it.

Howick DIY Skatepark we removed and replaced for a childrens pump track.

Ramps removed from the skatepark

No rubbish bins or signage or lights

Petition done and ignored from local community stating they want this. Pump track delivered with no feedback requested from skate community.



EAST AUCKLAND

**LACK OF WHEELED PLAY FACILITIES**

Why does ESC feels let down by our local board and Auckland Council?

Lloyd Elsmore is not on the current work programme, nor is it in future works to be completed, with no funding allocated for the much needed renewal

**CONTRADICTIONS**


**MINIMUM STANDARDS MATRIX: BUILT ELEMENTS IN PARKS**

	Sports and Recreation	Civic Space	Ecological	Historic Heritage	Informal Recreation	Landscape and Amenity
Seating (informal and formal)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rubbish bins	X	X	Z	O	O	O
Drinking fountains	X	X	Z	O	O	O
Barbecues	O	Z	Z	Z	O	X
Picnic tables	O	Z	Z	Z	O	O
Outdoor showers	O	Z	Z	Z	O	O
Toilets (or in close proximity to site)	X	X	O	O	O	X
Changing rooms	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	O	O
Community hall / facility	O	O	O	O	O	O
Outdoor shelter	O	O	O	O	O	O
Sports field / hard courts	X	O	N/A	N/A	O	N/A
Dedicated car parking	O	Z	O	O	O	O
Art work	O	O	O	O	O	O
Walking tracks / Cycle tracks	O	N/A	O	O	O	O
Wayfinding signage	X	X	X	X	X	X
Interpretation signage	O	O	O	X	O	O

**Parks: Minimum Requirements For Built Elements**

<http://content.aucklanddesignmanual.co.nz/resources/tools/parks-minimum-requirements-for-built-elements-by-typology/Documents/MIN%20REQUIREMENTS%20FOR%20BUILT%20ELEMENTS%20BY%20TYPOLOGY.pdf>

# Agenda of Howick Local Board - 3 December 2020

## Attachment A

## Item 16

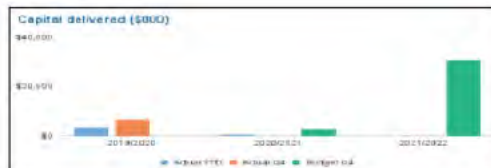
### Capital expenditure summary

#### Capital expenditure

\$(000's)	FY2020 Quarter 4			FY 2020	
	Actual	Revised Budget	Variance	Revised Budget	Annual Plan
<b>Capital expenditure</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>2,845</b>	<b>1,529</b>
Community services	309	776	467	1,745	1,529
Planning	3	0	(3)	1,100	0

Note: Includes Asset Based and LDI

#### Capital delivered



#### Commentary

Capital expenditure delivery for the first four months of the year is \$312,000 and is mainly on slip mediation prevention and local asset renewals.

In slip mediation (\$213,000), work is complete for the installation of a retaining wall at Shelly Park Reserve and improving the access way at Pohutukawa Avenue Esplanade Reserve.

Local asset renewals (\$73,000) include renewals of skate park in Barry Curtis Park and playgrounds renewal at Rogers Park.

Other planned projects are in the early stages of assessment and planning.

Further details by project are available in the work programme update.

Howick Local Board  
03 December 2020

Is this to be spent on Barry Curtis Skatepark?

Why after only 10 years do they get such a large renewal amount , on top of the \$65,000 allocated annually for Custodian Services?

LEP Park has had \$14,000 spent on it 22 years.?

Howick Local Board

[https://infocouncil.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/Open/2020/12/HW\\_20201203\\_AGN\\_10383\\_AT.PDF](https://infocouncil.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/Open/2020/12/HW_20201203_AGN_10383_AT.PDF)

Work Programme 2020/2021 Jul – Oct 2020 Report

Work Programme Name	ID	Activity Name	Activity Description	Lead Dept/Unit or COO	Budget Source	2020/2021	Activity Status	RAG	Update 1 Jul – Oct
Community Facilities: Build Maintain Renew	2566	Howick - renew skate parks	Investigate the skate parks in the Howick area to ensure they are fit for purpose. FY19/20 to FY20/21 - investigate, scope and design works to renew the skate facilities. Options to be presented to the local board for consultation FY22/23 to FY23/24 - deliver physical works.  (FY20/21 - \$20,000 - LDI Opex contribution)	DF: Project Delivery	ABS: Capex - Local Renewal, LDI: Opex	\$115,000	Approved	Green	Current status: Workshop with local board completed in October 2020 and following options agreed:  1. Barry Curtis Park- Utilize Opex for repairs to skate park in financial year 2020-2021, allocate funding in financial year 2021-2022 to commence consultation and concept design, detailed design and consenting in financial year 2022-2023 and physical works in financial year 2023-2024.  2. Lloyd Elsmore Park skate park - the existing asset is in moderate condition and the asset will be renewed in financial year 2023-2024.  3. Supply and install a relocatable pump track at a park in Howick. Consultation planning is underway to determine if Nixon Park is a suitable location and information will be brought back to the local board for further discussion in November 2020.  Next steps: Complete design options and present the design options to the local board.
Community Facilities: Build Maintain Renew	3233	Barry Curtis Park - install shelter and covered seating	Design and construct a shelter and provide covered seating at the park. The shelter is designated in the vicinity of the activity centre and the skatepark. FY19/20 to FY20/21 - investigation, design and scope. FY21/22 - commence physical works.	CF: Project Delivery	LDI: Capex	\$18,000	In progress	Green	Current status: Local board selected a preferred option of the shelter location.  Next steps: Complete detail design of the preferred option April 2021.

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Work Programme Name	ID	Activity Name	Activity Description	Lead Dept/Unit or COO	Budget Source	2020/2021	Activity Status	RAG	Update 1 Jul – Oct
Community Facilities: Build Maintain Renew	3516	Lloyd Elsmore Park - renew playspace	Renew the play spaces on site FY20/21 - investigation, design and scope FY21/22 to FY22/23 - commence physical works (budget requirement to be advised upon completion of investigation stage)(FY20/21 - \$20,000 - LDI Opex contribution)(Risk Adjusted Programme (RAP) project)	CF: Project Delivery	ABS: Capex - Local Renewal, LDI: Opex	\$20,000	Approved	Green	Current status: Concept design is completed and was presented to the local board in October 2020. Developed design is currently underway. Next steps: Complete developed design and workshop with the local board to local the scope of works in February 2021.

Parks, Sport and Recreation	156	Barry Curtis Park skate custodian	Provide year round custodian and activation services for Barry Curtis skate park that contributes to a safe, active and positive skate park environment.	CS: PSR: Active Recreation	LDI: Opex	\$65,000	In progress	Green	Barry Curtis 10th Birthday Celebration event delivered. Ongoing issues with flow bowl repairs.
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Parks, Sport and Recreation	159	HW: Sport and recreation initiatives	A sport and recreation investment fund to deliver participation initiatives and sector development, responding to identified needs in the local board area.	CS: PSR: Active Recreation	ABS: Opex	\$105,000	In progress	Green	Proposal being developed for sport and recreation initiatives for 2020/2021 and allocation of budget. Workshop with Local Board in Q2 to confirm investment programme.
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Parks, Sport and Recreation	2233	CARRY FORWARD HW Play Service Assessment	Investigate the current state and future needs of play in the Howick Local Board area. This will build on previous work and have a special focus on exercise equipment and wheeled play in the area, including activities such as skate, mountain biking and BMX. Note this will be funded by carry forward from FY18/19.	CS: PSR: Park Services	LDI: Opex	\$29,000	In progress	Green	High-level focus group study feedback and network report findings were presented to the board at an October workshop. The full Play Service Assessment report and findings will be workshopped before seeking local board adoption at a Q3 business meeting.
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# AUCKLAND DESIGN MANUAL

## Skate Parks

### Ensure good location and siting by:

- ▶ locating car parks close to important recreational areas and buildings
- ▶ providing for safe pedestrian movement between the car park and the facilities it is serving
- ▶ considering user safety in the car park design. Pedestrian routes from parking areas to the park need to be designed to minimize conflict with vehicles. The personal safety of car park users should be addressed by applying the safety principles of CPTED

### General Signage



### Drinking Fountains And Showers

#### Where to put drinking fountains and showers:

locate drinking fountains at park entrances, popular gathering and activity hubs (such as playgrounds, skate parks, sports fields and barbecue areas) and at every kilometre along popular walkway promenades or walkway circuits

# AUCKLAND SPORT SECTOR: FACILITY PRIORITIES PLAN 2017

# Community Facilities Network Plan

# Open Space Provision Policy 2016



# Community Facilities Network Plan



## Community facility hierarchy

- Local** – these facilities generally serve a local geographic area and are accessible within a certain walking or driving distance. Some users may come from further afield but this likely to be the exception rather than the rule. These facilities generally have a local profile and may not be well known beyond the local community. There is a similar range of activities undertaken at local facilities. There will be a wide spread of local facilities to serve the region.
- Destination** – the design and functionality of these facilities attracts users from a wider geographic area where users are prepared to travel to use the special features or activities on offer. Destination facilities are often a larger size and therefore have greater capacity. However, it is mostly due to the specialised or bespoke amenities or fulfilling a niche activity that make them a destination facility. Destination facilities are likely to have a sub-regional profile, for example, the facility is well-known in the west, south, central or north of Auckland. There will be a limited number of destination facilities as they serve a wide geographic area.
- Regional** – specialised facilities that serve the entire Auckland Region. These facilities will generally be large and have sufficient capacity to serve regional demand. Regional facilities will contain specific and specialised amenities or spaces. These facilities will have a regional profile. Given the specialised nature and level of demand, there will only be a small number of regional facilities required to serve the region.

### Identify Actions

To be identified as an action, it must be triggered by one or more of the following drivers:

- Existing facility has significant fit for purpose or performance issues and/or evidence of demand for additional provision
- An area with a gap or duplication of provision (as determined by the provision approach in section 4)
- An area with anticipated need arising from population growth (as determined by the identifying gaps in section 4)
- An external catalyst or opportunity that will impact on an existing facility or gap area.

Community Facilities Network Plan

## 3.3 What should our facilities look like?

To be fit for purpose, we will aim for community facilities to have the following qualities:

- Accessible** – universally accessible and affordable for all.
- Best Placed** - easy to find and get to and well-placed to serve the community and catchment.
- Flexible** - able to respond and adapt to the changing needs of the community and support continued growth in participation.
- Functionality** – designed to accommodate the intended range of functions and activities and utilise the outdoor environment to support participation.
- Local character** – contribute to place-making by reflecting the character of the community in the building fabric and design.
- Quality** – well-maintained, safe and provide an enjoyable customer experience.
- Sustainable** – capitalise on opportunities to deliver value for money for the ratepayer and user, minimise environmental impact and balance the needs of present and future generations.

Community Facilities Network Plan

### Investigation

Actions identified as network priorities will progress through the investigation process to determine the appropriate response. The investigation process should consider all options to respond to identified needs and if required, establish clear and robust evidence to support capital investment. This should establish a clear rationale:

- For a major upgrade or extension of an existing facility
- To prevent a major asset failure
- For the development of a new facility (either council-owned or partnership)
- To invest in a partnership facility
- To divest of an existing facility and invest in a new or existing facility which can better deliver community outcomes.

In the short-term, actions will be progressed first where they:

- have capital funding in the first five years of Long-term Plan
- are network priority actions in spatial priority areas
- are network priority actions with opportunities for optimisation or divestment.

# AUCKLAND SPORT SECTOR: FACILITY PRIORITIES PLAN 2017

## Challenges and influences

The sports sector faces multiple challenges and is influenced by a number of factors that require a collective response.

### *Population growth and changing demographics*

The population is growing by 1.5 per cent annually. The growing population is increasing pressure on existing sports facilities.

The makeup in Auckland will be different in the future, including:

- more older people
- more people of Asian, Pacific and Māori ethnicity
- more people born overseas
- 20% more children under 14 years of age by 2031.

Changing demographics are reshaping demand for sports facilities.

### *Lack of access to existing facilities constraining growth*

A number of sports codes cannot grow as they lack access to the necessary facilities. The reasons vary:

- there aren't enough facilities
- the facilities are already fully booked
- they are too far away
- cost too much, or
- the facilities do not cater properly for the sport (for example, the courts are too small, ceilings are too low and there are light or glare issues).





### Create enduring spaces

Sport, recreation and social trends and preferences change over time.

*How: create flexible and adaptable open space that meets changing community needs.*

- Use land efficiently by creating open spaces of a regular shape and relatively equal proportion.
- Cluster activities that use facilities at different times together, so that infrastructure can be shared and parks are used throughout the day.
- Use variation in terrain to add interest and opportunities for creative play experiences.
- Ensure small neighbourhood and pocket parks consist of mainly flat land, so they can provide for a wide range of activities in a small area.
- Include more variation in terrain in larger suburb and destination parks, so long as they include some multi-use flat areas.

### Enjoy our parks and open spaces

Create flexible, vibrant and safe spaces that meet the needs of the community, now and in the future.

#### Make safe and welcoming places

Safety is fundamental to creating successful public open spaces.

*How: create highly visible and welcoming spaces that are overlooked by neighbours and passers-by.*

- Apply Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles when investing in and designing any public open space.
- Ensure surrounding buildings front open space and commercial buildings have active uses at street level.
- Provide wide street frontage along recreational and social open spaces, with street frontage on two or three sides.
- Use pedestrian accessways to encourage buildings to front open space when a street is not possible.
- Encourage passive surveillance from neighbours by using boundary fencing that is visually permeable and unobstructed.
- Apply universal design principles to ensure parks and open spaces are accessible to everyone.

**Recreational and social open space**

The table below identifies open space typologies and associated provision metrics that primarily achieve recreational or social outcomes.

Typology	Description	Indicative amenities	Provision target
<b>Pocket Park</b>	<p>Provides 'door step' access to small amenity and socialising spaces in high density residential areas.</p> <p>Provides visual relief in intensively developed areas.</p> <p>New pocket parks are typically between 0.1 to 0.15 hectares.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>landscaping and gardens</li> <li>small lawn areas</li> <li>furniture</li> <li>specimen trees</li> <li>hard surface treatments</li> <li>areas for socialising and respite</li> </ul>	<p>Voluntarily provided at no capital cost and only on agreement by council. Alternatively pocket parks can be retained in private ownership.</p> <p>Located in urban centres or high density residential areas. Must be located on a public street and not an internalised space within a development block.</p> <p>Not to be located within 100m of other open space</p> <p>In addition to requirements for neighbourhood parks</p>
<b>Neighbourhood Park</b>	<p>Provides basic informal recreation and social opportunities within a short walk of surrounding residential areas.</p> <p>New neighbourhood parks are typically between 0.3 to 0.5 hectares.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>play space</li> <li>flat, unobstructed, kick-around space for informal games (30m by 30m)</li> <li>areas for socialising and respite</li> <li>landscaping</li> <li>specimen trees</li> <li>furniture</li> </ul>	<p>400m walk in high and medium density residential areas.</p> <p>600m walk in all other residential areas.</p> <p>Provides a range of different recreation opportunities between nearby neighbourhood and suburb parks.</p>
<b>Suburb Park</b>	<p>Provides a variety of informal recreation and social experiences for residents from across a suburb.</p> <p>Located in prominent locations and help form the identity of a suburb.</p> <p>Suburb parks will often accommodate organised sport facilities, such as sportsfields.</p> <p>New suburb parks are typically 3 to 5 hectares if providing for informal recreation uses only and up to 10 hectares or larger if also accommodating organised sport uses.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>walking circuits or trails within the park</li> <li>multiple kick-around spaces</li> <li>socialising spaces, including picnic and barbecue facilities</li> <li>larger and more specialised informal recreation attractions, such as large playgrounds, skate parks, hard courts</li> <li>beaches and watercraft launching facilities</li> <li>organised sport facilities</li> <li>community event space</li> <li>car parking and toilets</li> </ul>	<p>1000m walk in high and medium density residential areas.</p> <p>1500m walk in all other residential areas.</p> <p>Provides a range of different recreation opportunities between nearby neighbourhood and suburb parks.</p> <p>Provides a neighbourhood park function for immediately neighbouring residential areas.</p>

**Applying the provision targets**

**Measuring walking distances**

Walking distances are used for the provision targets for neighbourhood and suburb parks.

The actual walking distance a user would need to travel to access the open space should be used when assessing these targets. This requires identifying 'pedsheds' of all feasible walking routes using public streets, accessways and path networks through public spaces.

The quality of the journey should also be considered, including factors such as topography, footpath provision, and the ability to safely cross major roads, where controlled intersections and pedestrian bridges / underpasses are available.

If it is not possible to identify actual walking distances, such as in the early stages of planning for greenfield developments, the following radial distances should be used as proxies for walking distances.

		Walking distance	Radial distance proxy
Neighbourhood Park	High and medium density	400m	300m
	Low density	600m	450m
Suburb Park	High and medium density	1000m	750m
	Low density	1500m	1125m

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/plans-projects-policies-reports-bylaws/our-policies/Documents/parks-open-space-acquisition-policy.pdf>

#### Acquisition criteria 1: Meeting community needs, now and in the future

Prioritisation: meeting community needs, now and in the future	
<b>High priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land that will meet open space needs of communities of future urban and greenfield development areas identified through an endorsed spatial planning process (e.g. area plan, precinct plan or structure plan)</li> <li>Land to increase the accessibility or capacity of the parks and open space network that serve areas identified as most change and significant change in the Auckland Development Strategy<sup>9</sup></li> <li>Land to meet a significant current and future need identified in a council endorsed needs assessment or parks and open space network plan.</li> </ul>

#### Acquisition criteria 4: Improving the parks and open space we already have

Prioritisation: improving the parks and open space we already have	
<b>High priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land that will improve the accessibility and functionality of an existing park or open space that serves an area of most and significant change identified in the Auckland Development Strategy</li> <li>Land that provides access to an existing park from an area with poor access to parks and open space</li> <li>Land that improves the functionality and capacity of parks and open space serving a regional or sub-regional function</li> </ul>
<b>Medium priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land that will improve the accessibility or functionality of existing parks in areas identified as moderate change in the Auckland Development Strategy<sup>14</sup></li> <li>Land that protects the existing landscape and amenity values of significant parks and open spaces</li> </ul>
<b>Not a priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land in areas identified as low and some change in the Auckland Development Strategy that has adequate access and capacity of parks and open space<sup>15</sup>.</li> </ul>

**Open Space Provision Policy 2016**

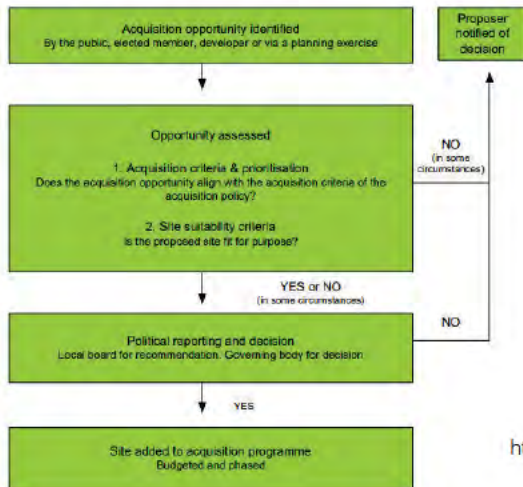


**ACQUISITION OPPORTUNITY ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

Auckland Council receives numerous requests to acquire land for parks and open space from the public, community groups and elected members. Additionally, the need to acquire land for parks and open space is identified when areas of the region are being planned and developed.

Auckland Council has a limited budget with which to acquire land for parks and open space. As responsible stewards of public funding, Auckland Council must make decisions on which land to acquire that will best achieve the vision and strategy set out in the Auckland Plan and the priorities of the Parks and Open Space Strategic Action Plan.

This policy sets out the steps that Auckland Council will use to assist with the process of assessing acquisition opportunities, selecting sites and weighing up priorities. The process is summarised in the following diagram and the criteria used to assess acquisition opportunities are explained in further throughout the remainder of this document.

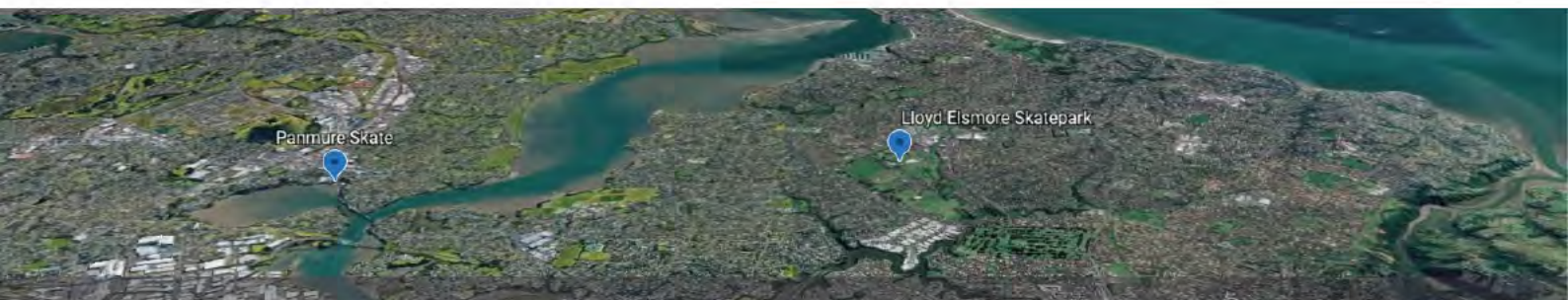


**ACQUISITION CRITERIA**

Acquisition criteria assess if an opportunity to acquire land for parks and open space contributes towards achieving the vision and strategy of the Auckland Plan and the focus and priorities of the Parks and Open Space Strategic Action Plan. The diagram below outlines how the acquisition criteria relate to the four areas of focus of the Parks and Open Space Strategic Action Plan:



<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/plans-projects-policies-reports-bylaws/our-policies/Documents/open-space-provision-policy.pdf>



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**we need somewhere closer for our kids to skate**



## HOWICK SPORT & ACTIVE RECREATION FACILITIES PLAN 2015 -2025



### Auckland Plan - targets

- Increase the number of school-aged children participating in organised and informal physical activities by 2040
- Increase the number of Aucklanders actively participating in recreation and sport every week from 79% to 90% by 2040.
- Increase the number of education facilities open for community group use by 2040.
- Increase the number of council sports fields that are useable throughout the year from 80% to 90% by 2020.

### Sport and Recreation Strategic Action Plan (SARSAP) - priorities

- **Invest in and deliver programmes that build fundamental movement skills, prioritising programmes that are integrated with other activities and/or align with school/club/provider activities**
- (2 3)
- Support active transport initiatives to encourage participation in active commuting, walking school buses and skill development for biking (3 5)
- Develop a tool to provide guidance for prioritising investment in facilities across codes and activities at a local level (7 1)
- The need to achieve greater efficiency in the network of facilities before building any more (7 2)
- Increase capacity of the sports field network and supporting amenities to provide for current and future demand (7 5)
- Work with the Ministry of Education / School Boards of Trustees and school clusters to form better partnerships to improve access to existing recreation and sport assets and align planning for future provision of community facilities (8 1)
- **Promote and prioritise investment into partnerships to provide multisport and multi-use recreation and sport facilities (8.2)**
- **Increased participation of people in sport, leisure and recreation activities.**
- **Develop an extensive network of quality public spaces for recreation and leisure**
- **Integrate multi-purpose facilities, parks and spaces for our communities.**

**Bold** text relates to all users of the skatepark (scooter, bmx, inline ,skateboard)



## 6.2 CATCHMENT

When considering leisure facility planning, it can often be helpful to consider provision by Local catchment and by 'Principal Community' catchment.

Local Community catchment - suggest approximately a primary school catchment - use when considering for example in provision of local playgrounds.

'Principal Community' catchment can be considered a "community sphere of interest" for residents within a certain commuting zone acceptable for playing of local sport - in urban Auckland it is suggested that this is residents within about 3-5km radius from a logical central point, could range from 15,000 to 70,000 people, and 4 -10 secondary schools.

In determining principal communities, key determinants for a community sphere of interest can include physical barriers (e.g. a range of hills, coastline, motorway), secondary school catchment areas, retail areas (where people shop), key transport routes (how people move around greater area), wealth, ethnicity and age. Also consider political boundaries as sensible from a leadership, planning and resourcing perspective, but note foremost about how people behave and move (the community they identify with), not potentially an arbitrary political boundary.

In defining a 'Principal Community' catchment from a leisure perspective, a key question to consider: What is the acceptable distance for local residents to travel to have access to mainstream sport options?

For Howick it is suggested that for leisure planning purposes, two 'Principal Community' catchments are considered, i.e. north and south. Regard the north catchment as corresponding to the Pakuranga and Howick subdivisions, and the south catchment as corresponding to the Botany subdivision (see map).

### 6.2.1 HOWICK LOCAL BOARD – SUBDIVISIONS

Figure 1: North and South Catchments



For north catchment need to consider local access for majority of sports **now**.

For south catchment consider local access for majority of sports **as population grows**

A report was done in 2015 to the Howick Local Board prior to the Sport and Recreation plan 2015-2025 being to identify the needs for all sports in our region and to

- 1) Review demand on existing sports facilities
- 2) Identify Gaps
- 3) Optimising the use of existing facilities
- 4) Recommend new facilities

Emphasis was placed on organised sport and active recreation operating from council-owned facilities and venues (i.e. sport parks, reserves, buildings on sport parks and reserves, and leisure centres).

**Exclusions**

Not within scope were aquatic centres and community facilities such as community halls and fitness centres. The exclusion of aquatic centres, leads to the exclusion of aquatic sports such as swimming, learn-to-swim, underwater hockey and water polo etc, hence these were not considered in this plan.

Listed are sports/activities out of the scope of this plan:

Aero (gliding, flying)	Golf	Skate Board
Blowkart	Ice - Curling	Skate Roller
Boating - Motor	Ice - Hockey	Surf Life Saving
Dance - Other	Ice - Skating	Surfing
Dance - Sport	Indoor sports	Swimming - Club
Darts	Model Boat	Swimming - LTS
Dog Exercise	Motor Cross	Ten Pin Bowling
Equestrian - Pony	Powerboat Racing	Ultimate Frisbee
Equestrian - Racing		Underwater Hockey
Fitness - Centre		Walking - General
Fitness - Group		Waterpolo
Fitness - Trail Equipment		Waterski

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Why were wheel sports excluded from the scope of the plan?  
 Why were these sports included in other Feasibility / Needs report but not ours?  
 Wellington and Christchurch both has these



School Survey Respondents	
Buckland's Beach Intermediate	
Edgewater College	
Macleans College	
Ormiston Snr College	
Somerville Intermediate School	
Site Visits	
Site Visits - Park/Venue by Local Board Area	
Local Board Area	Visits to Park/Venue
Howick	Barry Curtis Park, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ormiston Activity Centre</li> <li>Bramley Drive Reserve, and</li> <li>Far Cove Maritime Trust</li> </ul> Howick Domain, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Howick Tennis Club</li> </ul> Lloyd Elsmore Park, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Auckland Hockey Association</li> <li>Howick Pakuranga Bowling Club (external)</li> <li>Howick Pakuranga Cricket Club</li> <li>Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre</li> <li>Lloyd Elsmore Pool &amp; Leisure Centre</li> <li>Pakuranga Athletic Club (external)</li> <li>PURC – Badminton Hall and Rugby Clubroom</li> </ul> Howick Leisure Centre Macleans Park Nixon Park Pakuranga College Pakuranga Leisure Centre Pigeon Mountain Riverhills Park Rogers Park Ti Rakau Park William Green Domain
Maungakiekie	Mt Smart Stadium
Otara-Papatoetoe	Hampton Park Ngati Otara Park Rongomai Park

Site Visits were conducted to facilities right next door at Lloyd Elsmore Park-skatepark was somehow missed.

5.1.1 ACTIVITY MATRIX – SPORTS

Activity	Location
Air Cadets	Howick
American Football	Howick
Archery	Howick
Athletics	Howick
Assoc Rules	Howick
Badminton	Howick
Baseball	Howick
Basketball - Amateur	Howick
Basketball	Howick
Bowls - Indoor	Howick
Bowls - Outdoor	Howick
Boxing	Howick
Cricket - Amateur	Howick
Croquet	Howick
Cycle - BMX	Howick
Cycle - Mountain Biking	Howick
Dance	Howick
Disc Golf	Howick
Football	Howick
Futsal	Howick
Guides	Howick
Gymnastics	Howick
Handball	Howick
Harrers	Howick
Hockey	Howick
Indoor Sports	Howick
Kiikoi	Howick
Lacrosse	Howick
Martial Arts	Howick
Model Planes	Howick
Netball	Howick
Orienteering	Howick
Paralympic	Howick
Rock Climbing	Howick
Rugby League	Howick
Rugby Union	Howick
Scouts	Howick
Scouts-Sea	Howick
Shooting	Howick
Softball	Howick
Special Olympics	Howick
Squash	Howick
Table Tennis	Howick
Taiji	Howick
Tennis	Howick
Touch	Howick
Volleyball	Howick
Waka Ama	Howick
Weightlifting	Howick
Yachting	Howick
Young Māori	Howick

NOTE: Italicised sport were outside the project scope. Regardless, where these were found to be occurring on council-owned assets or by a community group at a private facility it is recorded in the matrix.



### 7.4 LLOYD ELSMORE PARK

Lloyd Elsmore Park is a major sport and leisure park foremost servicing the Howick and Pakuranga areas but also the wider Howick Local Board area. It is also regionally significant for hockey, and for some cricket, athletics and BMX activity. Please see the table below which describes the current facilities and user groups on the park.

Lloyd Elsmore Park – Current Facilities and User Groups				
Sport Facility & Clubroom	Sport Facility-Only (dedicated)	Leisure Centre	Depot	Other User Groups (regular)
Athletics	Baseball	Fitness	Air Cadets	Football
Badminton	BMX	Swim - Club	Boxing	Harriers
Bowls	Skateboard	Swim - LTC		American Football
Cricket	Volleyball			Aussie Rules
Croquet	Mountain Bike			Touch
Hockey				
Netball				
Rugby Union				

With the proliferation of buildings it is evident there has been a lack of master planning, and this work now seeks to consider the merits of several facility proposals; to foster multi-code use of future clubroom facilities where sensible; and to provide a clear direction for the future planning of the park on a phased basis as needs, acceptance of a change process and funding allows.

#### 7.4.1 PLANNING APPROACH FOR LLOYD ELSMORE PARK

When considering the master planning for the park, considered as four natural zones as determined by the park's current internal roadways and facility developments, i.e.

- Lloyd Elsmore Park East
- Lloyd Elsmore Top Flat
- Lloyd Elsmore Central
- Lloyd Elsmore South and Bell Park

The first 'map' clearly shows the current user groups and facilities in each of these areas. Note the only new sport proposed to be based on the Park is a gym sports' (gymnastics) facility in Lloyd Elsmore Park East.

#### 7.4.2 ENCOURAGE FURTHER MULTI-USE OF CLUBROOMS

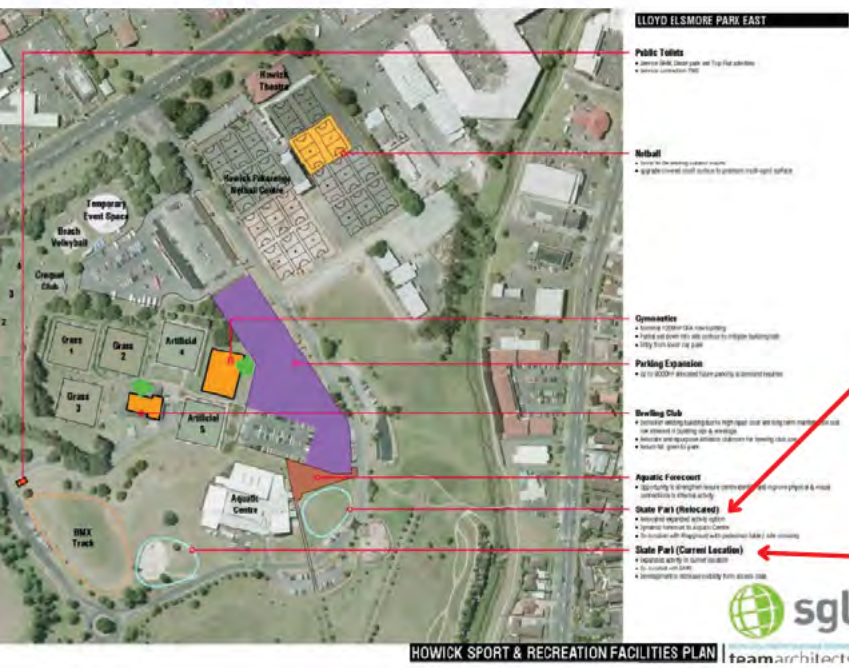
To try to rationalise the number of buildings and clubrooms over time, and to assist the financial viability of clubs, some consolidation and increased multi-use of clubrooms, is recommended as follows:

- For Lloyd Elsmore Park Top Flat, reduce over time to one clubroom facilities, i.e. at current cricket clubrooms, i.e. suggest athletics and cricket consider sharing the current cricket clubrooms, and also as cricket has a liquor licence, that cricket actively promotes their clubrooms as a social venue for netball. Note to be effective here suggest cricket could possibly seek to establish with netball a social netball competition in their indoor training facility, and also look at some bar revenue share arrangement with netball
- For Lloyd Elsmore Park Central, continue with hockey clubrooms only
- For Lloyd Elsmore Park East:
  - Continue with croquet clubrooms until needs major upgrade, then suggest if bowls still exists on the park, consolidate as part of one clubrooms
  - Consider support of, access to, and impact of Pakuranga College 2-court gymnasium development on netball. Only proceed with netball covered court development if sufficient court time is not available at college, also note cricket facilities comments above
  - Consider relocating the existing athletics building to the bowls site to replace the current bowls clubrooms. Note, bowls awaiting outcome of current feasibility, but if this feasibility says bowls can safely stay for several years with only minimal maintenance required, then because of the initial expense of relocating the athletics clubrooms, the current bowls clubrooms would probably continue to be used for this period (say 5 – 10 years). During this same period Pakuranga Bowling Club could continue to consider the merits of amalgamation with other bowls clubs. If bowls continues to be justified on Lloyd Elsmore Park, then develop a new multi-purpose clubrooms at that time potentially catering for bowls and croquet,









**Skatepark (Relocated Location)**

- Relocated expanded activity option
- Dynamic forecourt to Aquatic Centre
- Co-location with playground with pedestrian table/safe crossing

**Existing Skatepark (Current Location)**

- Expanded activity in current location
- Co-Located with BMX
- Development to Increase Visibility from access road

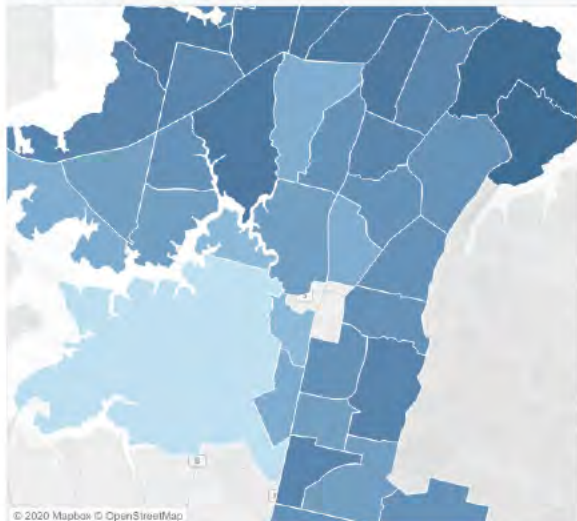


### Activity Behaviours - What Are Our Interests and Preferences?

Choose Region Type: Local Board (Auckland Only) | Choose Region: Howick Local Board Area | Choose Demographic Category: All | Choose Deprivation Level: All | Choose Comparison for Table Below: National | See Definitions tab for info about Activity Behaviours

#### SA2 Boundaries for Howick Local Board Area Region Expected Participation Rates for Rollerblading

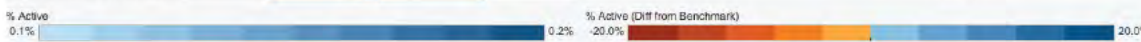
Click on a SA2 to filter chart on right



#### Expected Participation Rates for Howick Local Board Area All SA2s

Click on an Activity below to filter map

Rank	Sport	% Active
11	Playing	5.3%
12	Football (soccer outdoor)	5.0%
13	Playing on playground	4.5%
14	Pilates/yoga at gym/class/else...	4.3%
15	Other	4.2%
16	Basketball	3.6%
17	Trampolining	1.1%
18	Tramping	2.0%
19	Netball (outdoor)	2.8%
20	Badminton	2.3%
21	Scotering	2.2%
22	Touch rugby	2.3%
23	Golf	2.2%
24	Fishing	1.1%
25	Table tennis	2.0%
26	Cricket (outdoors)	1.0%
27	Mountain biking	1.7%
28	Gymnastics	1.7%
29	Athletics (track and field)	1.6%
30	Tennis	1.6%
31	Rugby	1.5%
32	Boxing	1.3%
33	Handball	1.2%



Modelled participation using data sourced from the Active NZ 2018 survey (last 7 days participation rates) and Statistics New Zealand Census 2018 (meshblock-level) Usually Resident Population - see <https://www.stats.govt.nz/2018-census/>. This work includes Statistics New Zealand's data which is licensed by Statistics New Zealand for re-use under the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International licence. Information/data in this visualisation indicates what people may be participating in, or more likely to be interested in. Several assumptions were made in developing this information/data, and care should be taken in using the information/data. Please contact Sport NZ if additional information on this resource is required.

# Kids cry out for skatepark

14:43, Jan 31 2009

"We have noticed a huge increase in skateboarders in the area.

"It has doubled since April last year," Mr Guy says.

"More and more of them are getting trespass notices.

"It frustrates me because we are trying to keep kids off drugs and alcohol, but they are getting criminalised for a sport they love."

Mr Guy says if a skatepark was to be built the council should seek expert advice.

One needs to be built before a skater gets hit by a car, he says.

"The Lloyd Elsmore Park skatepark was a failure from the start. It was designed wrong.

"Nails have broken off and the concrete has cracked," Mr Guy says.

Manukau Parks group manager Digby Whyte says there are plans to build a skatepark at Barry Curtis Park in three years at a cost of at least \$800,000.

Other key developments such as a carpark and the cultural garden take precedence, he says.

There are plans to modernise the skatepark at Lloyd Elsmore in two years.

"I do sympathise that there is a need for one in the eastern area," Mr Whyte says.

Petitions and sponsorship can influence an establishment of a skatepark in the area, he says.

### Kids cry out for skatepark

Skateboard fan Ignatius Mushanga and his mates fear they'll have to give up the sport if there is nowhere in East Tamaki for them to go.

5 Staff Jan 31, 2009

2009



### Lloyd Elsmore Skate Park in desperate need of upgrade

Lloyd Elsmore has a skate park but its in desperate need of attention. A small group of us caught up this afternoon to see what can be done. It doesn't take an expert to see that the skate park is tired. There's big cracks and splits in L...

3 Damian Light May 3, 2019

2019

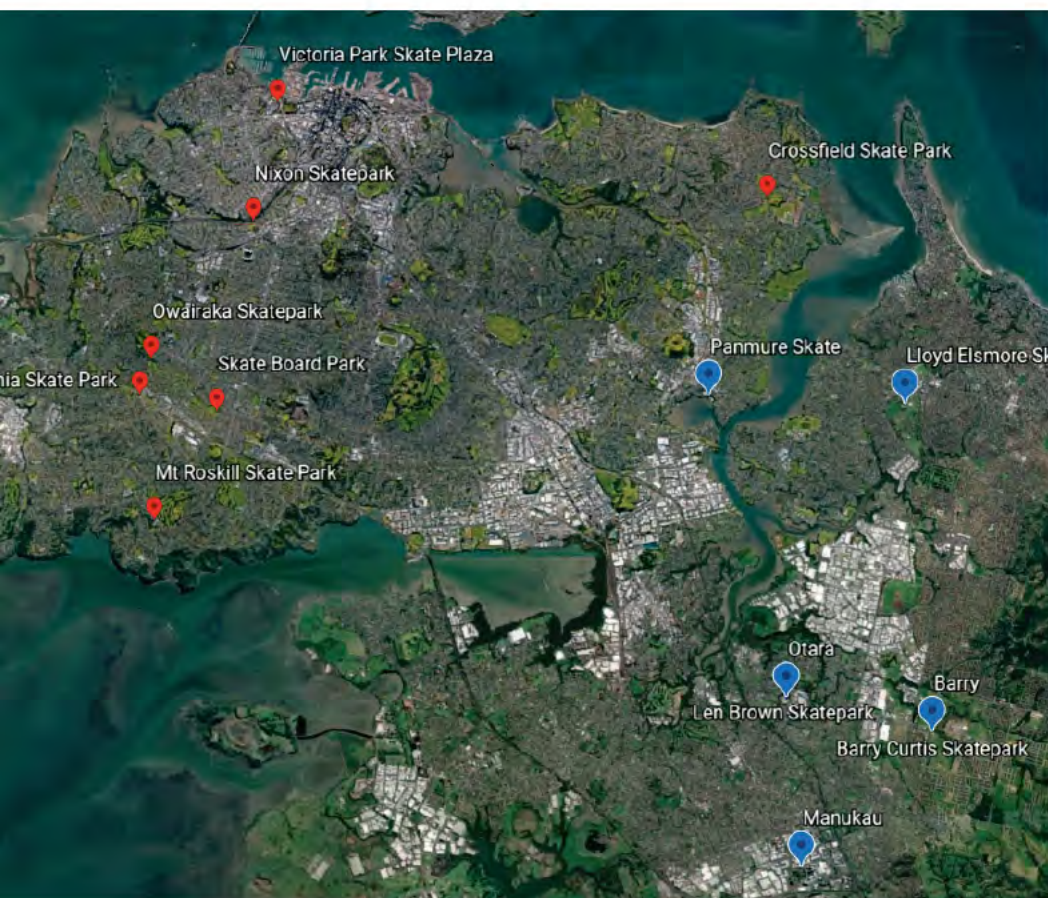


### Call for skate park upgrade

Calls are growing for action to be taken over what people say is a lack of safe and easily accessible skate parks in east Auckland. Despite the rain, more than 50 people gathered at the Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark in...

Times Staff Nov 9, 2020

2020



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STATISTICS 2013 CENSUS



**Play Network Service Assessment**

9. In the 2016-2017 financial year staff produced a Play Network Analysis to determine the current level of service provision for play across Howick Local Board's 69 playgrounds.
10. Staff recommend updating and expanding the original play network assessment, and to include two focus areas: wheeled play and exercise equipment.
11. A Wheeled Play Assessment was suggested as a standalone line item in the upcoming Annual Work Programme (FY 2019-2020) but can be better incorporated into a wider play assessment. This will look at the service need for the development of wheeled play facilities to further enhance the play network.

PRIORITY

# 1 PUT CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE FIRST



10... Children want to be heard. They want to be cared for. Children and young people's interests must be focused:

- the views of children and young people, and their vision for the future are vital for the city and for the country. Auckland's children and young people are our future;
- single-child welfare policies are usually unworkable and must be turned around;

11... One third of New Zealand's children under 15 years currently live in Auckland. Although this proportion is likely to decrease from 31% (2006) to 18% in 2040, the actual number of children will increase by almost 100,000. Those under 25 years of age make up almost 40% of Auckland's population, and up to 50% in some areas (see Map 1.2). Some of our most disadvantaged communities are those which we anticipate making increases in the number of children and young people in the coming years.

12... National and international reports highlight New Zealand's poor rating on many indicators of child welfare. New Zealand has very low rates of investment in children and young people. A recent report<sup>14</sup> estimated the current public investment in children's critical early years of life, at \$160 million per year, with an estimated \$6 billion per year cost of additional expenditure on health, welfare, criminal justice, lost productivity and lost tax revenue, because the level of public investment in children and young people will produce educated and well-adjusted adults, and reduce costs to Auckland and New Zealand.

13... Children and young people who grow up disadvantaged are more likely to have poor educational achievement, poor health outcomes, and be unemployed on leaving school. This is avoidable, and has social and economic costs to society with a diminished quality of life overall. Spending on children who are not in care is a cost, but an investment in the future of the country.

20... The neighbourhoods and communities in which children and young people live, and the local services and community resources available, impact on their well-being. Many families with a disabled child face additional stress, costs, and restrictions on opportunities to work or for leisure time, and lack information about or access to support services. Solo parents, too, can face obstacles on re-entering the work-force.

## DIRECTIVE 1.1

Put children and young people first and consider their well-being in everything that we do.

The Auckland Plan 2012 - Full document

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/plans-projects-policies-reports-bylaws/our-plans-strategies/Documents/auckland-plan-2012-full-document.pdf>

# AUCKLAND'S RECREATION & SPORT



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## STRATEGIC DIRECTION 5

PROMOTE INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING THROUGH PARTICIPATION AND EXCELLENCE IN RECREATION AND SPORT

### TARGETS

Increase the number of school-aged children participating in organised sport and informal physical activities by 2040	Increase the number of Aucklanders actively participating in recreation and sport every week from 79% to 90% by 2040	Grow the recreation and sport contribution to Auckland's economy from \$1.6 billion in 2008/9 to \$3.2 billion by 2040
Increase the number of education facilities open for community group use by 2040	Increase the number of Council sports fields that are useable throughout the year from 80% to 90% by 2020	Increase the number of hours that people volunteer in recreation and sport from 12 million hours to 14 million hours by 2040

### PRIORITIES

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Provide quality opportunities for all Aucklanders to participate in recreation and sport	Prioritise and optimise our recreation and sport facilities and public open space use and the capability of recreation and sport organisations	Maximise the contribution of recreation and sport to Auckland's economic prosperity

# AUCKLAND'S RECREATION & SPORT

## PRIORITY 1 PROVIDE QUALITY OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AUCKLANDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN RECREATION AND SPORT

332. Taking part in recreation, sport and outdoor activities is a notable feature of Auckland's lifestyle. Aucklanders flock to the beaches at weekends, tramp in the Waitākere and Hunua Ranges, and swim, boat and fish in the harbours. We frequent the city's walkways and parks, whether to improve our fitness, walk our dogs or stroll and picnic with friends, family and whānau. We congregate at grounds across Auckland to watch or participate in sport. Our temperate climate and natural setting is ideal for year-round outdoor activities, on land and on water. Easy access to the outdoors is an important part of our culture and part of Auckland's appeal. We will sustain this as Auckland grows, and ensure we optimise the recreational opportunities on offer.

333. We participate in organised events and team sports, including social indoor sports that can be played whatever the weather, and a variety of informal activities. As we have less free time, recreation that we can enjoy at any time, at little cost and close to home, is growing in popularity.

334. Our involvement in recreation and sport promotes the well-being of our communities, by improving our physical and psychological health. Although participation rates remain steady, a large proportion of our community is becoming more sedentary, which is resulting in poor health and obesity (see Chapter 1: Auckland's People). New ways to encourage us to be more active are required.

335. More than 4,219 parks cover 83,164 hectares or 16.6% of the Auckland's land area. Thriving private sector recreational and sport facilities include private fitness centres, indoor sports centres and a network of school recreation facilities. As our population grows and changes in composition, we need to ensure that the range and type of facilities available support changing preferences in recreational activities.

336. Auckland's unique environment and diverse population provide many opportunities for leisure activities, and the lifestyle choices available make Auckland increasingly attractive as an international city. Thousands\* of special interest clubs and community organisations reflect our range of recreational experiences.

CHAPTER 5

# AUCKLAND'S RECREATION & SPORT

PRIORITY 1  
PROVIDE QUALITY OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AUCKLANDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN RECREATION AND SPORT

338\_ Involvement in recreation and sport builds relationships within and across communities. Participation in early childhood experiences which develop skills and confidence, encourages us to participate as adults. Active movement programmes for babies and toddlers can effect a lifelong love of active recreation and a healthy lifestyle (see Chapter 1: Auckland's People).

341\_ Lifelong participation in recreation and sport starts with children and continues through to older adults. Children learn fundamental skills which are carried through into ongoing participation and high performance. Providing a variety of opportunities for participation at all ages is central to planning for the future.

## DIRECTIVE 5.1

### Encourage all Aucklanders, particularly children and young people, to participate in recreation and sport.

340\_ The range of recreational activities for young people is expanding. For example, 21 new sports were introduced in secondary schools from 2000 to 2009. However, participation rates decrease markedly after young people leave secondary school, so we need to find ways to maintain their interest. E-games are popular, and could be used to encourage young people to remain active.

342\_ As the majority of our activity is undertaken with friends and family, we need good access to local recreation areas. Recreation and sport will be promoted as fun, accessible and affordable.

339\_ Children and young people's skills can be nurtured by extending their experiences. Promoting play opportunities is vital for physical and mental development. Thousands of children and young people already participate in sport through schools and clubs. However, school sports teams and sporting clubs currently operate in parallel ways: a focus on providing programmes that collaborate between schools and the sports sector will provide more flexible opportunities for children and young people.



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**PRIORITY 2**  
PRIORITY AND OPTIMISE OUR RECREATION  
AND SPORT FACILITIES, PUBLIC OPEN  
SPACE USE AND THE CAPABILITY OF  
RECREATION AND SPORT ORGANISATIONS

350\_ Quality public open space is a critical component for healthy lifestyles in an urban environment (See Chapter 10: Urban Auckland). By thinking differently, we can protect and expand on the use of public space. For example, the use of new technologies, such as artificial turf, can improve the usability of sports grounds. Street connectivity is a key design feature to promote and encourage physical activity. It creates linkages between our parks and reserves.

**DIRECTIVE 5.3**

Ensure recreation and sport facilities keep up with the needs of a growing population.

354\_ Auckland's growing population and increasing diversity requires community infrastructure (parks, sports grounds, swimming pools) to meet a wide range of needs. There is an increasing shortage of sports fields and facilities: collaboration with schools could ease this situation and address the duplication of sporting competitions (see also Chapter 12: Auckland's Physical and Social Infrastructure).

355\_ The current collaboration between Regional Sports Organisations is an example of clubs and sporting codes working together and building on opportunities through public/private investments to provide multi-sport facilities. A partnership approach to planning and funding between local and central government, non-governmental organisations and the voluntary sector will help to provide the best facilities for Auckland through collaborative investment opportunities.



**DIRECTIVE 5.5**

Support volunteers to contribute to the capability of the recreation and sport sector.

Skate park



Ludwig Norrall-Bader [ludwig@farmcove.school.nz](mailto:ludwig@farmcove.school.nz)

Thu, 4 Nov 2020, 15:12

Hi Matt make AARP.

We at Farm Cove are super interested in being involved with whatever you are thinking I am a 11 Year old 'average' skater and Tim (ccc) is a slightly older but much more advanced shredder/role model.

Let us know what we can do to help, the Lloyd Elmore park is pretty terrible. It'd be suprised if anyone would actually choose to skate there.

High five  
謝謝你，互讚  
Cheers, Ludwig

Ludwig Norrall-Bader  
Honeyed Toon Leader  
Wellbeing Concision Leader  
Farm Cove Intermediate



Thoughts?    **Awesome!**    Sounds good.





## Letter of Support- Young Guns Skate School- Simon Thorp

The Young Guns Skate School was established in 2010 to provide professional skateboarding tuition and opportunities to the growing number of young people interested in skateboarding. The benefits of our classes include confidence and self-esteem building, improved balance, coordination and improved behaviour in and out of school. On top of that kids learn how to have fun on a skateboard and are kept active. These benefits are also gained from skateboarding in general, not to mention the huge social benefits that skateboarding creates in terms of friendships developed.

In 2010 we ran classes at 2 schools each week, while this year we ran weekly after school, lunch time and in school classes at 20 different schools around Auckland and many more one-off classes/programs at other schools and organisations. Since 2010, we have run over 3500 classes with over 57,000 kids aged 4-15 years old attending our classes. On the side, we have run over 150 skate competitions and events since 2009. The number of kids joining our programmes have increased every year. This year, we have had 3000 different young skaters attend our classes to make up a total attendance of 15,000 students at our classes. 2020 has been our biggest year to date and this is even with half of the year being disrupted by Covid. Our average class size is 21 skaters per class. With skateboarding now in the Olympics, we are expecting this number to grow and we are aiming to run classes at more schools around Auckland and NZ in the years ahead.

Skateboarding is only becoming more popular around the world. Skateparks are also becoming increasingly popular places for kids to get active and enjoy themselves. East Auckland currently does not have a suitable skatepark to cater to kids of the area. Barry Curtis Skatepark is a fantastic skatepark, though this skatepark does not cater to a certain area of East Auckland. The Lloyd Esmore Skatepark is very outdated compared to today's standard. The park is also very worn out and as a result is not used often by the local kids. A new skatepark in the area is definitely much needed and would be highly valued by the local kids in the area. This would also encourage more kids and adults to get active and enjoy the huge benefits of skateboarding, rollerblading, bmx'ing and scooter riding. As the Director of Young Guns Skate School, I have full support of a new or updated skatepark being built at Lloyd Esmore park.

**Simon Thorp- Director at Young Guns Skate School**





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Registrar of Incorporated Societies  
22nd day of December 2020



# CHARITIES SERVICES

Ngā Ratonga Kaupapa Atawhai



artistic and speed skating

NZSBS CLUB AFFILIATION FORM 2020/2021





# East Aucklanders ~~WANT~~ NEED an area CLOSE by that caters to all levels of experience

the rest of auckland, and new zealand has more of a opportunity to learn, improve and master wheeled sports than we do

AUCKLAND  
 DESIGN MANUAL

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  - ▶ ensuring paths are accessible around and through the play space

Where to put drinking fountains and showers:

locate drinking fountains at park entrances, popular gathering and activity hubs such as playgrounds, skate parks, sports fields and barbecue areas and at every kilometre along popular walkway promenades or walkway circuits

## Play Spaces

### Guidelines for shade planning and design

Provide for care givers by:

- ▶ providing shaded seating and catering for small and large groups to sit in the area immediately adjacent to the play space
  - ensuring all seating areas have clear surveillance of the play areas
- ▶ providing relevant amenities, such as toilet facilities with changing tables, and drinking fountains at both adult and child heights in close proximity to play spaces

## General Signage

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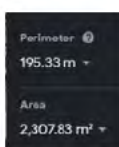
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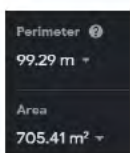
## General Signage



Barry Curtis Skatepark- 2307m2



Lloyd Elsmore- 705m2





**About local board plans**

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

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- 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 are inclusive and connected; they don't operate in isolation. They support the following:

- the Auckland Plan 2050 – the 30-year vision for Auckland
- the council's 10-year budget (Long-term Plan) – planned spending and future investment priorities over the longer term, including local boards
- the council's annual budget (annual plan) – funding for the coming financial year of the 10-year budget, including local boards.

Local Board Agreements form the basis for each local board to develop its annual work programme and set out local funding priorities and budgets, levels of service, performance measures and targets by activity for each financial year.



Surpluses from previous financial years

A surplus may be available to be carried forward if the actual surplus/(deficit) is improved compared to the forecast surplus/(deficit). Generally, only those factors that are cash in nature will be available for use in determining the level of surplus to be carried forward. The amount of any surplus carried forward will be accounted for as an operating deficit in the year the benefit is passed to ratepayers

# Howick Local Board Plan 2020

## Outcome one: People in our communities feel safe, engaged and connected

People are proud to live in the area and actively participate to make it a wonderful, safe place to live, work and play

*He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata! He tangata! He tangata!*  
*What is the most important thing in the world? It is people! It is people! It is people!*

The Howick Local Board area is home to a truly diverse population totalling around 141,000 people. This diversity is both a strength and a challenge, but we are committed to building strong, resilient, inclusive communities that support and enrich us all.

**What you've told us**  
*"More community engagement between groups and different people. It will create awareness of what is going on in our neighbourhood and build healthy, safer relationships"*  
*"Promote the importance of civic responsibility"*

You have told us that it is important to you for our communities to come together, to celebrate and share differences, so that we may learn from each other and understand our differing world views.

The health and wellbeing of all our diverse communities is a key focus of this local board plan. With this in mind, we will commit to implementing programmes and initiatives that support healthy Howick outcomes for an involved and connected, active and healthy community, across all our priorities for the next three years.

To help with this we will focus on building capacity and capability within key groups and organisations in our area, representing the full range of diversity, to promote wellbeing in an inclusive society where everyone feels valued, respected, supported and safe.

We will promote and support community resilience and self-reliance, working with community leaders to achieve the outcomes they seek. We will target our local grants funding to community-run programmes and events that foster well-being, participation and connection.

We need to hear all of the voices in our community, so that people can participate in local decision-making on matters that interest them. However 8% of our residents cannot speak English. To be truly inclusive, we must meet the challenge this presents and develop ways to communicate so that people will be able to access, understand and respond.

### Rangatahi/Youth

Young people under the age of 25 make up around 33% of the population of the Howick Local Board area. It is important that they are able to inform our priorities, strategies and plans and have a voice on the issues that are important to them, given the decisions we make will to a large extent shape the future they will inherit.

The Howick Youth Council was established in 2011 by the local board to 'empower youth to bring about a positive influence in our community by ensuring their voices are heard in the decisions that shape our (area)'. We will continue to support the Howick Youth Council and their priorities to improve and promote youth participation, inclusion and empowerment.

Speaking with Youth Council they said as they are funded by the board they cannot make their own decisions. Followed up again 2021- too busy with studies to catchup.

- Hey Aaron, thanks for the invite — I'll need to check with members about their availability.
- Kia ora, I've checked this morning with the members I've been able to get in touch with — the 2020 youth council officially finished last month and many of our members are off to new endeavours as we begin the new year.
- The new leadership team is quite busy with preparing to induct our new 2021 members and figuring out the group's programme arrangements going into the next 12 months.
- Alongside school starting back up in a few weeks, that unfortunately means we don't have anyone that's free in the short-term to be able to meet.
- We wish you well in your future endeavours!

### Safety in the community

Feeling safe as we go about our daily lives in the community and at home is essential to a sense of wellbeing. This means that you feel protected from harm but that help is available should you need it — from neighbours, the community, and the services you rely on in times of need.

To achieve this, we will continue working with the Police, other agencies and community leaders to design and implement safety strategies, particularly in those areas most vulnerable. This may include advocating for additional emergency services provision in our newer, developing suburbs.

We will also target local board grant funding to community initiatives and programmes that promote safety, connectedness and wellbeing in the Howick Local Board area.





## Howick Local Board Plan

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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

**Tell us why**

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**



**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

Climate change is having an increasing impact on the environment and on our daily lives. We will commit to support initiatives that will help improve our natural environment. It is important to maintain healthy, functioning ecosystems throughout the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, as well as the Tamaki Estuary, and the need to both reduce emissions and build local resilience to respond to the changing climate. Working together with mana whenua as kaitiaki of this area will help achieve this.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

Some suggestions - Please continue the green waste collection and other waste collection temporary hubs within the local areas done quarterly. Improve the monitoring of illegal dumping. More community education needed to prevent litter throwing while walking around the areas.

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

Community participation is critical for the Howick Local Board area. We want to provide places for healthy, active lifestyles to suit our diverse communities in building on our network of parks and open spaces, however we must face the reality of budget restrictions. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

Howick Local Board is committed to fostering partnerships with local town centres to enhance the vibrancy of the area and support local businesses. The board also acknowledges the importance of a well-connected transport network, and will fully capitalise on the opportunities that the Eastern Busway project brings, including walking cycling networks throughout the local board area.

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Support

**Tell us why**

We need better transport connectivity and network. Eastern suburbs are hard to get to city for work using public transport and that drives more people to use cars.

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

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Support

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

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8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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**Local Board:** Franklin

### Your feedback

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

LB continues to reference rangatahi voice but no one is referencing tamariki voice and what children want or need in an area. It would be worth considering their voice as well .

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

You have references Parks and Open spaces support a wide variety of rec activities, I would challenge you to provide more diverse Play opportunities within the LB area.

The sensory play space sounds great. Is there an ability to make it more inclusive, responding to the needs of children with visible and invisible disabilities?

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

To make town centres vibrant they need to be spaces where people can involve themselves throughout the day. Having street furniture that kids can play on encourages a family approach.

You mention a challenge with privately owned town centres could there be strong advocacy and a joint approach to the development of community facilities?

Housing intensification calls for a considered approach to adequate infrastructure for the role of formal and informal play.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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### Your feedback

**1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

I'd like to see this reflected into specific objectives, with budget, timeline and success measures to be applied

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Partially support

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Is this really in the scope of the Howick Local Board? What are the specific objectives associated to this goal? How are they going to be delivered, measured, budgeted and followed-up?



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Partially support

**Tell us why**

I'd like to see our local board (and local council) actively joining communities standing against the devastating effects of non-compliant developments, one of the main causes of contamination, degradation and destruction of entire ecosystems, not to mention the astronomical extra costs incurred into as a result of trying to mitigate (often unsuccessfully) the negative and totally preventable problems they have created.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Have you done a proper value for money assessment? How are you going to make the selection? The community potentially affected needs to be properly consulted before taking any action, and the decision-making process should be collaborative.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Better make sure also that the roads are going to be in good condition and there will be plenty of public parking for the many citizens who, for whatever circumstances, are unable, temporarily or permanently, to ride a bike or take public transport and depend entirely on their cars. Otherwise, the plan will be discriminating against them.

This is and will continue to be a reality that cannot be ignored.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community’s needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

Public safety, good roads, plenty of parking and easily understandable (universal) signs are paramount if we want to attract, welcome and make visitors feel comfortable in our community and promote tourism in our area.

The same reasons apply to businessse

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

Translate the goals in your plan into specific, measurable, results-oriented and timebound objectives; otherwise, they are no more than good intentions and wishful thinking. If you need assistance, many local boards are ready to help.

Also, there is too much mentioning of one ethnic group in your plan that reminds us of the darkest times in human history. We are a proud, inclusive, multicultural nation. You need to consider all the people who are funding Council, local boards and who, ultimately, chose you as their representatives. Thanks to all of them, we have the nation New Zealand is today.

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Have you done a proper value for money assessment? How are you going to make the decision?

We would rather see Council limiting their own spending than reducing community facilities. Some communities don't even have basic facilities. Eg Flat Bush RRA requires improved safety by the provision of footpaths to avoid schoolchildren having to walk in the road on their way to school. They really need their community and aquatic centres, and the implementation of controls to prevent fly tipping.

I am pleased to see sections of the plan identifying challenges and opportunities, but not convinced that these are reflected in subsequent intentions.

What are the most important contributions (or key result areas) I expect the Board to deliver? In the order they are presented, the statements are primarily:

- Clear and measurable outputs – what will be delivered in areas under the Board control. This is to include planning and development (\$574,000) and local governance (\$1.16 million and local community services revenue (\$5.25 million). (If I was a manager I would expect improvement trends for any high value items) That leaves \$29.7 million unaccounted for.
- Asset / Infrastructure management – assuming this is delivered by CCOs then “managing the managers” – is infrastructure adequate; is it being maintained and replaced in a “whole of life” planned manner; are customers satisfied?
- Advocacy – for instance (i) ensuring an equal per capita expenditure for the Howick Ward, compared to other Wards; (ii) ensuring equal per capita expenditure within the Howick Ward; pushing the case for essential infrastructure; are planned maintenance and asset replacement programmes proceeding on schedule and within budget, or is it necessary to develop alternative solutions to any shortfalls (eg leases; PPPs; targeted rates).
- Expenditure controls and value for money
- Financial management – what targets do you have for increasing revenue or reducing costs, and assessing value for money
- Growth – including planning implications on community amenity
- Environment (included in your Plan)
- Community Services and satisfaction
- Community linkages / teamwork (addressed in your Plan)
- “Vibrant village” and retail hubs (partly covered in your Plan)
- “Back to basics” - safe walking; clean beaches and roads; provision of adequate facilities in areas of new development or changed population density, including things like Flat Bush library and aquatic centre; support of residents fighting non-compliant developments

What your plan mentions as objectives (specific, measurable, results-oriented and timebound) look more like goals to me (longer term directions for improvement), so it will pay to consider the more fundamental problems that your so-called objectives are intended to resolve.

A continuous theme is the lack of any financial allocations or timeline for completion. This makes it impossible to make a judgment on value for money, or whether the proposal is, in fact, an input towards a more important objective (deliverable). The CBRRA has taken the first three of each success measure for each topic, and asked questions to get a better understanding of the problem to be solved and the result to be delivered. A copy has been forwarded to the Howick Local Board.

The conclusion is that, without financial allocations and specific, measurable, time bound definitions, I can neither support or oppose the proposals. This is not a criticism of the Board’s work on this occasion, but more a reflection of inadequate planning processes and definitions of performance of Council over the past several years.

Finally, this is constructive feedback intended to improve the long term collaboration between the ratepayers and their representatives and the quality of the final Plan.



## Howick Local Board Plan

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### Howick Historical Village

**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

It's thoughtfully organized around inclusion, support, and action with Māori and climate at the center of everything. It addresses the challenges and opportunities this area faces, and is specific when guidance and direction are needed and circumspect when there is space for creative problem solving.

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

#### Tell us why

We support this section with some edits and updates, as noted below:

I am writing on behalf of Howick Historical Village ("HHV"; the "Village") as the organization's General Manager. We are very grateful to be named in the draft plan. Having our name included underscores the value Howick Local Board ("HLB") sees in us.

While we appear in the Our Economy section, we feel a better fit for us would be in the Our People section, which deals with arts, culture, and heritage. We do understand that HLB identifies us as a key tourism driver to the area, for which we are pleased to have that recognition.

After speaking with Damian Light, I understand that the sections of the plan are not siloed but in fact interconnected. In this way, we understand that the Key Initiatives phrase on pg. 16 "Recognise, promote, and celebrate Howick's unique history through education, exploration and tourism initiatives" does then link to us to the Key Initiatives on page 28 under the Our Economy section, where we are named.

I also understand that spreading Te Tuhi, Uxbridge, and HHV across the plan strengthens the role that arts, culture, and heritage play in the Board's future planning. We would ask, however, that HHV be recognized in the Our People section of text, if not included by name in the second-to-last Key Initiative on pg. 16: "Support arts facilities to collaborate with community groups to create art experiences which showcase our ethnically diverse population and cultural heritage, and allow people to appreciate or experience culture and creativity." This section would be a natural fit for HHV and the cultural heritage we preserve, collect, and display.

Indeed, I am concerned that by not being included in the Our People/arts, culture, and heritage section, we may be precluded from certain funding opportunities aligned with that area. While it may be clear to the authors of this plan that we fit in this space, anyone else not involved in the drafting process may read it differently. Our mission statement is: "To encourage active exploration of our community's heritage, material culture, and landscape, with a focus on the period 1840 to 1880." If we are excluded from funding related to this section, our "raison d'être" would be severely undercut.

As noted above, we appreciate very much being named in the HLB plan. Through it, we take comfort that we can rely on continuation of the important financial support HLB gives us at least for the next year. It is not an understatement to say that this major funding is what keeps our doors open. We ask for reconsideration where we are included in the plan so that we may continue to fulfill our mission statement.

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

Climate change is having an increasing impact on the environment and on our daily lives. We will commit to support initiatives that will help improve our natural environment. It is important to maintain healthy, functioning ecosystems throughout the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, as well as the Tamaki Estuary, and the need to both reduce emissions and build local resilience to respond to the changing climate. Working together with mana whenua as kaitiaki of this area will help achieve this.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

We support the approach and goals outlined in the plan. We too are concerned with the health of the environment, especially Botany Creek that runs behind our Village in Lloyd Elsmore Park ("LEP"). We see an opportunity for riparian repair, and a chance to collaborate with other institutions (including Pakuranga College) to improve the health and well-being of the creek.

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

Community participation is critical for the Howick Local Board area. We want to provide places for healthy, active lifestyles to suit our diverse communities in building on our network of parks and open spaces, however we must face the reality of budget restrictions. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

We support this section, especially the community gardens aspect. We would like to be involved in their development and management because the self-sufficiency, locally-grown, communal nature of these gardens directly aligns with our ethos and mission statement.

Our Heritage Gardener, Luke Southern, feels strongly that the less grass to mow, the better for the Board's bottom line AND the environment. We all feel that the more community

engagement in urban-ag, farm-to-table, and sustainable food production, the healthier the soil will be as well as the community of people who join in the programme.

Luke also has noted that if you map out where community gardens exist in Auckland, there is a pretty clear divide that follows State Highway 1, such that there are little to no such gardens to the east of the highway vs. to the west. This plan gives HLB the chance to be a leader in developing community gardens in our region.

In that light, we have spent a considerable amount of time trying to navigate putting community gardens in at the Village, but are stymied by the access issue (because we have an admission fee). If we can reclaim some of the grassland around the Village, especially if there is an extension of the Village through an addition of another historical building, we can activate this space with the first of these gardens thereby generating public interest and support for more.

On our staff, we currently only have Luke in a relevant position. This undertaking would require additional staff as managing our 7-acre site + community gardens would not be possible for him alone. We see it as an opportunity to create new jobs in the area and expand our outreach and education, but this would only be possible with continuing (and increasing) financial support from HLB, in whatever form that might come.

## **5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

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### **Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

#### **Tell us why**

The amount of growth and development here is astounding, especially when looking at 'Whites pictorial reference of New Zealand' from the 1950s. It would be good to know that there is a thoughtful plan in place to address the need for balance and equity in access to resources (natural and man-made), infrastructure, and land management.

We also support a re-route of the 711 bus to travel through Lloyd Elsmore Park. Effecting this change would benefit both traffic/parking congestion as well as accessibility needs.

First and foremost, driving and parking in LEP, especially on the weekends, is at best frustrating and at worst dangerous. With the currently open Regional Public Transport Plan ("RPTP") feedback, we have a chance to make parking in LEP a bit easier by supporting a re-



route of bus 711. See image attached below: Blue line for inbound to Panmure, Pink line for outbound to Howick. We have asked LEP User Group ("LEPUG") members to take a few minutes and provide feedback on the RPTP and support this re-route.

I presented this proposal at the last LEPUG meeting and it was met with support. It's planned so that the bus has either a stoplight, or a turning lane – reducing chances for traffic buildup and accidents. Also, it doesn't involve any of the 72 buses, which I know would be a major, and probably unwelcome, change.

Alison Mudford kindly forwarded the proposed plan to Willie Thom at HLB, who immediately connected with someone from AT, whose reply is also attached below. Apparently, someone from AT came out to check out viability. Their response isn't a resounding yes, but they also don't say no – they say to provide feedback to the transport plan.

We all know how hectic and frustrating LEP can be, especially on the weekend, or if one (let alone 2 or 3) of our groups is holding a big event. Parking, walking, navigating is not easy, but with a re-routed bus plan, it could be much better.

As for accessibility, which is equally important, the Village and many other stakeholders in the park find that

visitors who do not drive are not as likely to take advantage of our spaces and programmes. The walk into the heart of LEP is not short or flat, and for people with accessibility or mobility concerns, often that time/distance and topography, coupled with the amount of cars traveling at speed through LEP (between the speed-bumps), means they are hesitant to partake in activities which able-bodied individuals take for granted.

A re-routed 711 bus would make a world of difference for those wishing to take advantage of what their rates support, but are not able to do so for many reasons.

Therefore, we wholeheartedly support any improvements in transport that encourage walking/public transport use and increase accessibility for all.

## **6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

### **Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Partially support

**Tell us why**

We support this section, with some edits and updates. Please see my response in the Our Community section above.

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

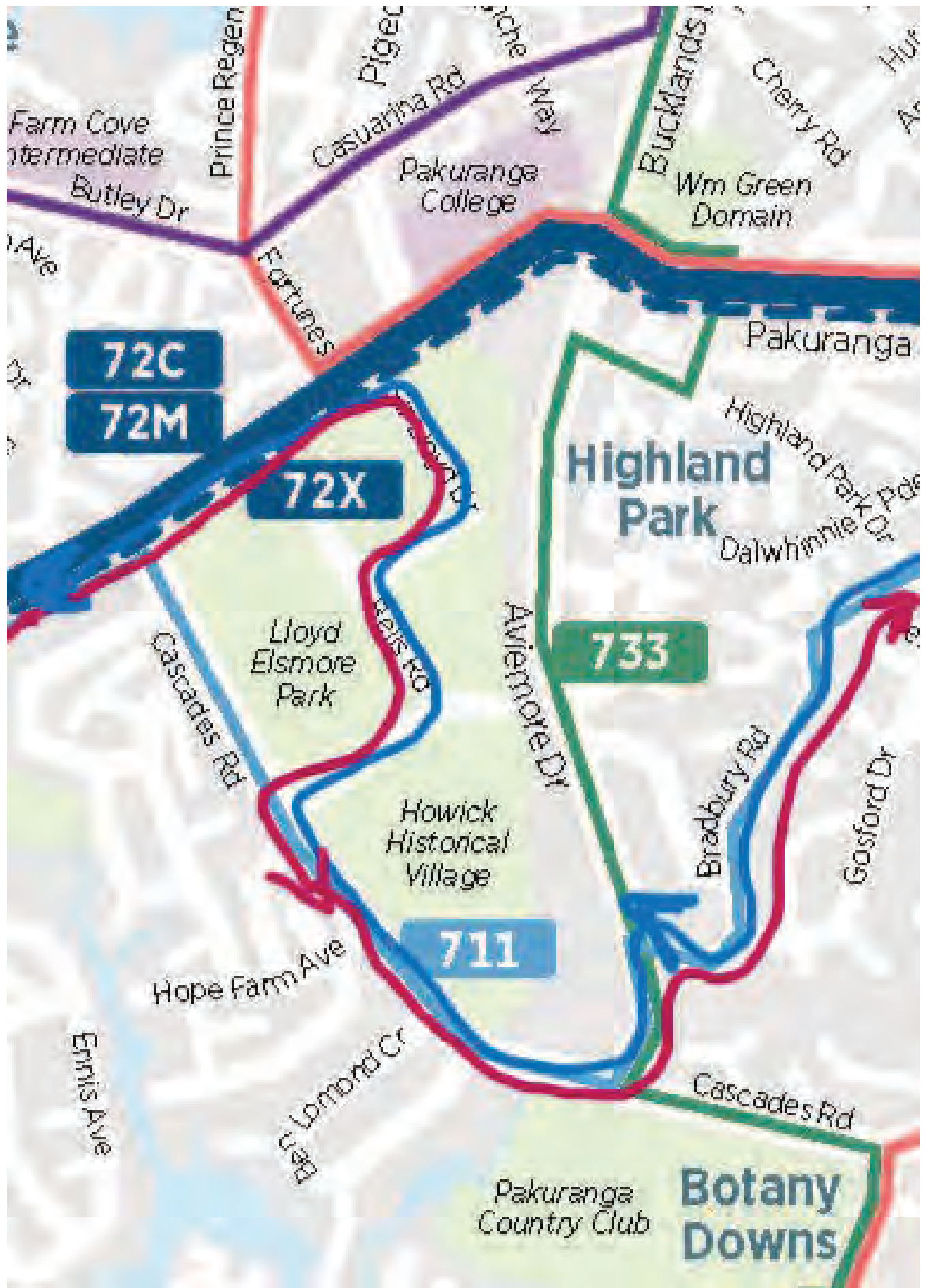
Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Partially support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

We support this with some reservations around: 1.) whether there would be increase in fees for those buildings and land that remain in Council control (increased management fees, etc. to make up for the loss of consistent income from those sold, even though there will be a short-term profit due to the real estate/real property transaction); 2.) that private ownership of key places and spaces won't cause similar problems around urban planning and infrastructure currently associated with privately owned Town Centres; and 3.) that key historical and/or architecturally significant buildings are not lost to development.



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**Botany Downs**

Farm Cove Intermediate

Pakuranga College

Lloyd Elsmore Park

Howick Historical Village

Highland Park

Wm Green Domain

Pakuranga Country Club

Prince Regent

Casuarina Rd

Bucklands

Cherry Rd

Butley Dr

Fortunes

Aviemore Dr

Highland Park Pde  
Dalwhinnie Cr

Cascades Rd

Wais Rd

Bradbury Rd

Gosford Dr

Hope Farm Ave

McCormack Cr

Cascades Rd

Ernie Ave

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To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: [REDACTED]  
Date: Thursday, 22 June 2023 2:28:47 pm  
Attachments: [REDACTED]

Hi all,

At our May meeting of the LEFUG, I was asked to request information in regards possibly incorporating a bus route through LEP to cut down on the number of cars in the park. Below is the response from Auckland Transport that Willie Thom at the local board office was kindly able to get for us. Please note the upcoming opportunity to provide AT with feedback on its Regional Public Transport Plan. Details in the second to last paragraph of the AT response. Updates on other subjects raised will follow in a second email from me later today.  
Many thanks,  
Kind regards,  
Alison Madford

Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2023 10:45 AM  
To: RES Local Board Howick [HowickLocalBoard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:HowickLocalBoard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)  
Subject: Auckland Transport - We have reviewed your case [REDACTED]

Thank you for getting in touch with us on behalf of the Lloyd Elsmore Park User Group regarding their request for buses to travel through Lloyd Elsmore Park. Our teams have investigated the request and advised the information below.

Auckland Transport (AT) has three frequent bus routes that serve Pakuranga Rd (Routes 72C, M, X). Redirecting these routes through Lloyd Elsmore Park will increase their kilometres travelled and ultimately the travel times. This can lead to disadvantaging existing passengers as well as increasing the operation costs.

A member of the team visited the park when they received this request. There are a few humps along the road that did not look to be of bus-friendly design. They also noticed some sharp chicanes that may not provide sufficient space for a bus. These need to be checked for safe and efficient bus operations.

Please note, AT cannot make any commitments currently and any improvements or changes is dependent on available resources, funds, and infrastructure. Furthermore, it would need the support from Auckland Council Parks and Community Facilities (they may even need to deliver the physical works) as Lloyd Elsmore Park falls under their purview.

Also, The Regional Public Transport Plan (RPTP) is the document which describes the public transport network that AT proposes for the region. RPTP will be released for public consultation from 17th of July. This will give a good opportunity for the park users group to submit their feedback during the consultation period as it is a more formal planning process, and we encourage them to do so.

If you or the group have any further questions, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Ngā mihi,

[REDACTED]  
[www.at.govt.nz](http://www.at.govt.nz)





## Howick Local Board Plan

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### Aktive

**Local Board:** Hibiscus and Bays

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Partially support

### Tell us why

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

### Tell us why

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Support

**Tell us why****4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

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Support

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

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**Tell us why**

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8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Do not support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Please see attached submission document

## AK Have Your Say

## Aktive Submission

# Howick Local Board Plan 2023

### Overview

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Howick Local Board Plan.

Aktive's vision is Auckland – the world's most active city: Tāmaki Makaurau – te tāone ngāngahau rawa o te ao.

We provide leadership to the Auckland region that encourages, enables and inspires Aucklanders to lead more active lives through play, sport and active recreation. As both Sport NZ's and Auckland Council's strategic partner in Auckland, this means investing in organisations and projects that will get more people active, with focuses on tamariki, rangatahi, and identified communities.

We work closely with our System Build Partners, including Sport Auckland, to connect, support and collaborate with organised sport bodies, clubs, schools and community groups in the strategic direction, planning and delivery of programmes and facilities.

Aktive recognises the key role that Local Boards play in the delivery of play, recreation and sport across Tāmaki Makaurau. Local Boards are essential in creating communities where people want to live, work and play and they have a significant impact on the health and wellbeing of Aucklanders through governance and decision making on parks and open spaces, community facilities, grants and support, community leases and many other aspects.

### Key Feedback

1. The draft Plan clearly identifies the importance of physical activity health and wellbeing to our communities.
2. We support the key initiative of partnering with the community to develop facilities and recommend that the Howick Local Board considers a Facility Development Partnership Fund to enable this.
3. We ask the Howick Local Board to be cautious about the initiative to remove assets as this can lead to negative consequences if the requisite planning is not done.
4. We support the focus on rangatahi and encourage the Howick Local Board to also ensure tamariki are considered in planning as well.
5. We request the Howick Local Board add advocacy items to:
  - a. Advocate to the Governing Body for more investment into the Sport and Recreation Facility Investment Fund
  - b. Advocate to the Governing Body for more investment into the Regional Sport and Recreation Operating Grant.

## Howick Local Board Plan 2023

Aktive commends the vision shown in the Howick Local Board Plan and the clear priority that has been placed on ensuring that communities have opportunities to access community facilities and open spaces to empower them to live healthy, active lives.

**Does the Local Board Plan reflect what you want for this community over the next three years?**



The Howick Local Board Plan does a good job at prioritising the health and wellbeing of communities and supporting this through investment into facilities, open spaces and community organisations.

We acknowledge that the work of a Local Board is particularly challenging in that Local Boards need to deliver a wide range of facilities and services without the necessary budget to support their visions. We ask the Howick Local Board be very direct in your prioritisation of what is important to the community so that you are able to make a difference in a number of spaces as opposed to spreading your support too widely.

## Sport and Recreation Facilities and Open Spaces

We support the focus of the Howick Local Board to ensure the best use of the resources available.

We support the objectives of:

- *Sports and recreational opportunities respond to the needs of our communities.*
- *Community facilities, spaces and activities enable people to participate, learn and grow.*
- *Parks and open spaces support a wide variety of recreational activities.*
- *Understand opportunities to optimise our asset portfolio.*

And the key initiatives to:

- *Continue to support a multi-club and code facility at Lloyd Elsmore Park.*
- *Explore ways to assist local sports clubs to improve sharing and utilisation of existing facilities and resources, and / or new developments.*
- *Provide facilities and activities across our parks network to suit people of diverse demographics and abilities.*

To support the above initiative, we recommend that the Howick Local Board look at implementing a facility development partnership fund to assist local sports clubs. Non-council owned assets are an extremely important part of the sport and recreation network. We suggest the Howick Local Board explore facility partnership opportunities with the community to look at the development of facilities. This allows the facility to leverage external funders to secure investment that council owned facilities cannot.

This support will help to relieve the burden on Council to be responsible for the delivery of all community facilities. We caution the Howick Local Board around the key initiative "*Investigate the sale of underperforming service property assets to help fund priority projects*". We understand the intention is to use the facilities we have to maximum capacity, but this type of initiative is often used as an opportunity to remove buildings and assets without doing the requisite thinking around how they can be used more efficiently.

## Community Organisations

We fully support the objective:

- *People actively contribute to their community.*

And the key initiatives to:

- *Support community groups to become more sustainable by promoting volunteering and efficiency to help build capacity to successfully serve their communities.*
- *Empower community groups and organisations to co-deliver projects with Auckland Council, and to take action to protect and maintain community assets.*
- *Support activities that bring our diverse communities together.*

We see sport and recreation organisations as a key part of this mahi and know that participation in sport brings 74.3 million hours of meaningful, positive social interaction to Aucklanders each year<sup>1</sup> and that sport and recreation operating spend has a direct and significant correlation with participation levels<sup>2</sup>. If the Howick Local Board is able to continue their history of investing to grow the capability and capacity of sporting organisations, then this will lead to positive outcomes for the entire community.

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<sup>1</sup> ACW Auckland City Report 2019, Portas Consulting. Available at: <https://aktive.org.nz/resource-hub/insights-research/>

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## Play

We fully support the objectives:

- *Rangatahi /Youth in Howick have a voice, are valued, and contribute.*
- *Parks and open spaces support a wide variety of recreational activities.*

And the key initiative to:

- *Establish a sensory playspace that contains areas and equipment that provides stimulation of the senses for children with visual impairment or developmental disorder.*

These are great goals for the Howick Local Board to work towards, particularly with over 27,000 people under the age of 15 in your area. We urge the Howick Local Board to ensure that tamariki as well as rangatahi are prioritised, not just in planning playgrounds, but in planning for how play is important in all aspects of life and across all community facilities and open spaces.

Play is an important aspect to acknowledge and plan for as, according to Sport New Zealand research<sup>3</sup>, its benefits include:

- being physically active in a fun way that develops fundamental movement skills
- encouraging self-directed creativity and innovation
- improving social and emotional connections
- improving a young person's understanding of their relationship with the physical environment
- improving resilience, independence and leadership by determining their own outcomes
- aiding better decision-making based around elements of challenge and risk.

## Advocacy

We ask the Howick Local Board to also consider advocacy items such as:

- Advocate to the Governing Body for more investment into the Sport and Recreation Facility Investment Fund. This is a key regional fund that will enable facilities to be developed that aren't owned by Council and that have a significant impact on physical activity and health for our communities.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for more investment into the Regional Sport and Recreation Facilities Operating Grant to enable communities to deliver facilities and lessen the burden on council.

## Conclusion

Aktive supports the work of the Howick Local Board in creating opportunities for communities to lead active, healthy lifestyles, and we thank you for your commitment to play, recreation and sport as an integral part of life in your community. We also support a continuing and close connection between the Howick Local Board and Sport Auckland in meeting the needs of our communities.

As noted earlier in this submission, Aktive and Sport Auckland would greatly appreciate you referencing the critical nature of the Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund and the Regional Sport and Recreation Facilities Operating Grant within the Howick Local Board Plan. Aktive is working with Councillors to ascertain options for increasing the Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund because simply retaining the existing fund level will not be enough to accommodate the demand that exists today, let alone into the future.

As part of these same discussions, Aktive is advocating for the retention of the Regional Sport and Recreation Facilities Operating Grant. This funding is critical to so many sport and recreation facility providers. Without it, costs to users will increase and / or facilities will be forced to close or significantly reduce operating costs which will have an impact on service levels. We are happy to support your Local Board support staff in preparing some further detail for inclusion in your Plan, if you are willing to do so.

We once again thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the Howick Local Board Plan development process. If you have any questions, or if we can help with any of your ongoing planning, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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<sup>3</sup> Importance of Play 2017. Sport New Zealand. <https://sportnz.org.nz/media/1654/sport-new-zealand-play-principles-nov-2017.pdf>



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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Do not support

**Tell us why**

environmental initiatives under the climate change premise can't and should not be a priority of a local board if there is not a regional and/or country overall plan in place ... doing so will be a waste of money and resources

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

is this a repetition of point 2 ... if not please clarify the points. If this is about managing asset portfolio make this issue clear.

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**Tell us why**

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**How do you feel about this approach?**

I don't know

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

again, this point lacks clarity ... and is mixing issues

**Board proposals lack clarity and accountability**

The board proposals are flawed in a number of ways. First, they do not provide clear and measurable outputs. For example, there is no evidence that the board has a plan to track and measure its progress towards its goals. This makes it difficult to assess whether the proposals are realistic or achievable.

Second, the proposals do not provide any details about the expenditure control processes that will be put in place. This makes it impossible to assess whether the board will be able to achieve value for money.

Third, the proposals do not specify the board's targets for increasing revenue and/or reducing costs. This makes it difficult to determine whether the proposals are realistic or achievable.

**The proposals appear to confuse objectives with goals**

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**Without clarity and accountability, the proposals are not appropriate**

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Support

**Tell us why**

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**



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Partially support

#### Tell us why

Please see attached

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## Forest & Bird

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### Submission on Howick Local Board Plan.

14 August 2023

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Resource Consents  
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#### 2. Trade competition declaration

Forest & Bird would not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

#### 3. Hearing options

We may wish to be heard in support of this submission.

## Introduction

Forest & Bird is New Zealand's largest and longest-serving independent conservation organisation, with over 100,000 members and supporters. Its mission is to be a voice for nature, on land, in fresh water, and at sea, on behalf of its members and supporters. Volunteers in 50 branches throughout New Zealand carry out community conservation projects and advocate for nature. Forest & Bird has nine branches and three major projects in the Auckland region alone.

In support of the society's objectives, it has been involved in resource management processes at the national, regional, and district level. It routinely submits on regional and district plan provisions, some resource consents and advocates in the Environment Court in relation to biodiversity, landscape and natural character. It is particularly committed to ensuring that the environmental bottom lines established in national policy statements in order to give substance to the "protective" element of Part 2 of the RMA are given effect to in regional and district plans and achieved through decisions on resource consents.

The South Auckland branch carries out a range of activities, including but not limited to weed control, pest control, restorative planting, education events, content creation and environmental advocacy. The South Auckland branch covers the area from the Waikato Region boarder, west to Karioitahi, east to the Hauraki Gulf and north to Mount Wellington, including many significant areas such as the Hunua Ranges. Everyone involved in the branches are volunteers, including the committee, trappers, and supporters.

In addition, Forest & Bird has one of its National Conservation Projects located in the area, South-East Wildlink. The project covers 10188 ha in the South-Eastern semi-rural part of Auckland. The Wildlink creates a corridor of native bush between the two Forest & Bird reserves, Totara Park, Auckland Botanic Gardens, and Clevedon Scenic Reserve, providing a safe habitat for native animals and invertebrates to feed, roost and breed. It aims to protect native birds, lizards, insects, and critically endangered long-tailed bats, which have been spotted in the Wildlink area, from introduced predators. Eventually, Forest & Bird hopes the South-East Wildlink will connect with Hunua and Waitakere regional parks and pest-free islands in the Hauraki Gulf. Forest & Bird volunteers have been carrying out pest control for years in its two reserves: the 20-acre Olive Davis Reserve and the 37-acre Ngaheretuku Reserve, plus 120 acres of adjoining bush and Totara Park area. This landscape scale, community-based project demonstrates how to control pest animals in a way that engages residents and brings a range of benefits for people and nature.

## Approach

We are structuring our submission to include Objectives, Key Initiatives, and Advocacy items; just as they may appear in a Local Board Plan; along with commentary on some items and localised specifics.

### *Our Environment*

While we agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives, we would like to offer the below objectives and key initiatives to integrate into the Local Board Plan:

<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Key Initiatives</b>
<p>Access to indigenous and culturally valued biodiversity is managed to promote enjoyment while protecting vulnerable ecosystems.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and promote the provision of paths and tracks to give people access to forests in local reserves that promote ecological hygiene and conservation of vulnerable habitats.</li> <li>• Identifying high value ecological areas close to urban populations, manage access and monitor encroachment to prevent damage.</li> <li>• Work with neighbouring Local Boards to review the Auckland Policy on Dogs, keeping dogs out of high value conservation areas while providing space for responsible pet ownership.</li> <li>• Work with neighbouring Local boards to adopt meaningful cat management policies and regulations to a support responsible domestic cat ownership. And remove feral and stray cats from all areas of high biodiversity value.</li> <li>• Continue to implement actions from the Urban Ngahere (forest) Strategy</li> </ul>
<p><i>The life force (mauri) of our waterbodies is respected and restored</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support schools, businesses, environmental groups and community volunteers to carry out stream restoration projects including pollution reduction, stream clean-ups, habitat improvement and native riparian planting on public and private land.</li> <li>• Prioritise ecological maintenance projects that protect and enhance identified potential inanga spawning sites through bank stabilisation, pest plant control, sediment control and pest animal control</li> </ul>
<p>We will adopt landscape approaches to managing our environment that recognise the connections between different local habitats, such as the South-East Wildlink.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support initiatives that deliver on current ecological strategies.</li> <li>• Identify and prioritise restoration planting opportunities, for community and council projects, that create ecological connections by retiring hard</li> </ul>



	to maintain areas within existing parks and reserves.
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**Advocacy:**

We support all the current advocacy points. We believe the inclusion of the below advocacy points would help the Local Board achieve its objectives;

- Advocate to the Governing Body that the Local Board and local volunteer groups are more directly involved in the setting and delivery of council-controlled ecological services
- Advocate for funding and regulation to enhance water retention and reduce stormwater surges in local streams through the use of retention tanks, rain gardens, wetland restoration, tree planting, reduced impermeable surfaces, and the daylighting of streams.
- Advocate for the development of Blue Green Spatial Network plans, especially in future urban zones that support the preservation and enhancement of natural assets (such as streams and wetlands) that will create greater resilience to flooding, improve water quality and maintain/enhance ecological connectivity
- Advocate for priority development of shoreline adaptation plans including funding to implement actions to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.
- Advocate for strong tree protection (in particular of mature native trees) to support the goals of Urban Ngahere action plans and strategies and maintained canopy coverage
- Advocate for reserve acquisition, the retention of open space and planning rules that promote the development of new local habitats that improve ecological connectivity
- Raise awareness and advocate for dark sky areas/decreased light pollution and the importance of this for indigenous birds.
- Advocate for increased monitoring of water quality
- Advocate Council and CCOs to make room for rivers and streams to flood safely, so that flooding does not destroy communities, by stopping development in flood-prone areas and enabling managed retreat

*Our community: Our communities live well alongside nature as climate changes*

We would like to see the objectives and key initiatives under *Our community* expanded to include the below:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
We adopt best practices for all council maintenance and projects to maximise the net benefit to community and nature.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve climate impact statements in reports to consider net emissions, biodiversity loss, effect on impermeable surfaces and stormwater, and scarce resource use and recovery.</li> </ul>
Our communities are resilient to climate change and care for their surrounding environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support initiatives that build community networks and connections which help communities respond to emergencies and the impact of climate change and biodiversity loss</li> <li>• Support community led initiatives and projects that improve wellbeing by promoting a sustainable lifestyle,</li> </ul>

	including waste minimisation, emissions reductions and the implementation, maintenance and understanding of ecosystem services
Our aquatic, recreational, art, and community facilities are fit-for-service, meet the needs of our growing and changing population, and are resilient to climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure our playing surfaces, sports fields, aquatic, recreational facilities, and community facilities meet increasing social and recreational needs, are accessible, well maintained, available to the public, sustainable, resilient to climate change, and fit for purpose.</li> </ul>

### Advocacy

We would like to see the advocacy section under *Our community* expanded to include:

- Advocate to the governing body for appropriate long-term planning and associated funding for infrastructure in growth areas that support Auckland climate goals.
- Advocate to the governing body for immediate long term risk scenario planning for the next 50 to 100 years to prepare for and respond to climate changes.
- Advocate for adequate level of renewals funding to ensure existing assets are well maintained and are adapted to be resilient to climate change.
- Advocate to Watercare for the use of non-potable water for irrigation of sports and recreation facilities.
- Advocate to the governing body, Auckland transport and Watercare to ensure Aucklanders have a greater understanding about the policies for maintaining and monitoring infrastructure and the importance of reporting faults.

*Our Places and Our Economy*: Our economy meets the needs of our communities with minimal impact on nature.

We would like to see the objectives and key initiatives under *Our Places and Our Economy* expanded to include the below:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
Getting around without a car is attractive because of the seamless and safe network of paths and public transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to renew and enhance path networks to create more direct routes as well as connected networks for walking and cycling</li> <li>• Deliver and maintain more healthy street trees and rain gardens to beautify walking areas, while achieving Urban Ngahere plans and strategies, climate emissions mitigation, providing shade, and better stormwater management.</li> </ul>

Our economy grows through sustainable practices by embracing the circular economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support projects that engage, advise, educate, and assist our community on how to minimise and build the circular economy</li> <li>• Support the work and expansion of the network of community recycling centres for the benefit of our community</li> </ul>
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### Advocacy

- Advocate to the Governing Body and central government to assist our local economy to become more sustainable by adapting circular economy practices and increase resilience to climate impacts.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi (NZTA) for increased funding for walkways and cycleways, and their complementary infrastructure, to ensure a safe and fully connected active transport network that is integrated with public transport.
- Advocate for Auckland Transport to take a more proactive approach by taking the lead in working with new commercial developments that are trip generators, such as supermarkets, to include provision for safe public transport infrastructure, such as bus stops, even on streets with a higher volume of users.
- Advocate to AT to deliver projects that align with the Transport Emissions Reduction Pathway (TERP), the key strategy to de-carbonise Auckland's transport system.
- Advocate to AT for improved cycle and pathway safety, including lighting, physical traffic barriers, accessibility and proactive maintenance to prevent problems
- Advocate to AT for more local initiatives to contribute to decarbonisation by encouraging more use of public transport. Examples could be electric on-demand public transport options or better bike storage at transport hubs

### Selective Commentary

#### *Our environment: Nature thrives across our entire rohe.*

Connecting highly valued ecological habitats is an important part of enhancing the biodiversity within them. Most native and indigenous biodiversity is not adapted to crossing sparse urban areas; with many forest birds only willing to fly a couple of hundred metres between forest fragments. As the city continues to intensify, with a corresponding loss of private open space, council needs to invest in developing and maintaining ecological corridors to connect biodiversity hotspots. This involves both the development of existing reserves to host biodiversity (daylighting streams, planting, etc) and acquiring new protected ecological spaces through acquisition and vesting of reserves and planning rules. Maintaining these biodiversity hotspots and ecological corridors requires a landscape approach to council controlled ecological maintenance and community collaborations. This means prioritising investment in ecological and park maintenance to manage pest plant and animal populations in specific areas rather than regional elimination of selective pests.

Often there is a correlation between ecological corridors and urban waterways. As such, investment in terrestrial ecology along streams and wetlands has a positive impact on managing stormwater while enhancing freshwater ecology and the health of receiving waterbodies such as the Manukau Harbour. Blue-Green Spatial network plans are an important planning tool for identifying where open space needs to be retained or reclaimed from development to manage stormwater, to

minimise sediment and pollution entering the harbour and to mitigate the risk of flooding. Within currently urbanised areas opportunities to reclaim open space in flood prone areas should be a priority, alongside reducing the impact of stormwater surge by supporting the use of water retention devices and planting in new development and retrofitting older developments.

Highly valued ecological habitats are not the only places where biodiversity is valued. Tree cover across the entire urbanised area provides benefits for people and for native fauna; regardless of whether it is native or not.

*Our Communities and Places: Our communities live well alongside nature as climate changes*  
Within many Local Board Plans, goals for sustainable lifestyles and climate change adaptation are included within the environment outcome. We believe that these objectives are better placed across outcomes where they will be acted on more directly. This is of particular importance when considering that the end users of Local Board Plans are Council Departments and CCOs. We do not want climate change and sustainability to just be an issue considered by those parts of the council concerned with environment and infrastructure. Within this outcome we want it to be at the forefront of mind for those parts of council concerned with community development and resilience, and the provision of sports and recreation facilities. While these actions can have a positive impact on nature and areas of biodiversity, their primary benefit will be in the lives of people and communities.

*Our Places and Our Economy: Our economy meets the needs of our communities with minimal impact on nature.*

Our communities spend more time involved in economic activity than any other single activity. Economics is not simply the domain of business owners and managers; it is also the interest of workers, customers, and nature. Nature cannot be seen as a limitless resource of materials for economic systems and the mythical “away” to which we throw the waste of economic activity. The resources that fuel our economic activity are scarce and if we waste them for short term profits then we will continue to destroy our natural heritage and rob future generations of economic opportunity.

Adopting a circular economy; where the waste of one economic activity is recovered to fuel another economic activity, is the most responsible form of economic development. Investing in waste recovery, through incentives like community recycling centres, creates employment and new sources of raw materials for local businesses. Community initiatives like repair cafes improve the wellbeing of residents by extending the useful lifespan of the goods they already own.

Transport is another economic activity that requires reform to become more efficient. Not only can Auckland not financially afford to continue to address congestion by investing more in roads for private vehicles; but doing so deprives the city of many other benefits from public and active transport. Public and active transport are both more efficient uses of scarce resources, reducing economic impact on nature. They are also more social means of travel that can build community and make places safer by putting more active eyes onto the streets. Local Boards play a key role in the development of active transport through street to park connections in Greenways plans, Local Board transport capital funds and advocacy to Auckland Transport. Delivering an effective active transport network should not just be about paths though, street trees and facilities play an important part in making these spaces attractive options to meet transport needs.

Thank you for considering Forest & Bird’s submission.



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Partially support

**Tell us why**

Need to see greater emphasis on implementing projects from the HWCN Plan

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### Your feedback

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I don't know

#### Tell us why

I'm not a long member of this community having just arrived

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Support

**Tell us why**

As a long time wheelchair user being able to use public transport is essential.

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**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Where would investment go?



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I don't know

#### Tell us why

Ormiston town centre area needs funding to add a swimming pool/leisure centre

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#### Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus

Do not support

#### Tell us why

Your diversity programmes are weak, and lack actual scientific basis.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

In the middle ages (1000AD) water and air temperatures exceed current levels. Also ice core samples taken 1,000's of years ago also exceed current temperatures.

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**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Do not support

**Tell us why**

I do not support the selling of parts of Auckland or the Auckland Airport.

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**Tell us why**

The problem is none are flagship playground. It’s not about the quantity but the quality. We need a flagship playground in east Auckland. These 70 playgrounds that have been counted many have very little items. Take snake and leader park. There are slides and two swing. That’s it. Take the newly renovated Howick playground for example. Yes it is new. But if you look at it from a parent with a 2 year old. Only the swing can be enjoyed. Lloyd elsmore upgraded recently near the cafe. Same problem. Lack design. A 2-3 year old only have a tiny slide and swing to play. All other items are for older kids. This is my point the current design that have been coming through shows a lack in consideration.

The east Auckland area don’t need many playgrounds. But need 1 or 2 that are descent sized with zoned play areas for various age group. Investing smarter and in quality. Not in quantity to only do facial uplift.



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Ormiston Town Centre Area needs funding to add a swimming pool/Leisure Centre

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Your diversity programmes are woke and lack actual scientific basis.

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I am not a long member of the community having just arrived.

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As a long time wheelchair user, being able to use public transport is essential.

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**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Where would investment go?



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### Howick Little Theatre

**Local Board:** Howick

#### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

Support

#### Tell us why

The plan contains sufficient indicators to suggest the role of the arts in general, and access to community-based facilities in particular are recognized and supported.

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

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Support

#### Tell us why

HLT has a renowned reputation as a provider of outlets for artistic and cultural aspirations within the local board, and has been doing that for 69 years.

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Support

**Tell us why**

HLT has had cause over many years to try and address drainage issues and potential pollution of nearby waterways, often needing council to recognize and remedy these.

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Support

**Tell us why**

HLT respects council's intentions. Indeed, its very existence relied on the forerunner Manukau City Council's shared responsibility scheme to support our premises.

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Support

**Tell us why**

HLT is conscious that large sections of our membership and the theatre-going public at large are reliant on private vehicles and is happy to see any improvement in public transport to make the theatre more accessible.

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One could agree that a thriving arts community and access to facilities encourages and retains member and visitor experiences. We are not in the employment (paid) game of course.

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HLT has no specific comment to make regarding climate change, other than to speculate what our savings might be if the northern roof face of our building were covered in solar panels.

Membership and participation in productions, acting classes is open to all ethnicities. We are in the process of adding Te Reo signage to named areas within the building.

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Partially support

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HLT has very little call on council funding in relation to building maintenance, although we are grateful for the funding we do receive as part of our contract of service. (HLT owns the theatre building and leases the land on which it stands from council). We are always open to sharing the facilities particularly during the day time, and do so for other local groups regularly. May I also point out that the HLT submits an extensive and wide-reaching strategic action plan Toi Whitiki where similar commentary as requested in this feedback is supplied.



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### The Tree Council

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We support these objectives and initiatives regarding enhancing tree cover within the local board area. We applaud your proposal to implement the Urban Ngāhere Strategy Action Plan within the local board area to enable opportunities to enhance tree cover to be identified and activated.

- We urge you to oppose all consents proposing to remove trees in Significant Ecological Areas and Scheduled Notable Trees on both private and public land as these are so important to retain for future generations.
- If you have kauri in any of your local reserves you should consider getting them urgently tested for kauri dieback and if found to be positive then you should consider getting them treated to keep them alive. Kauri dieback has an almost 100% mortality rate so all infected trees will die without treatment. We recommend you work with the Kauri Rescue Trust for the best way to approach this problem. There is an urgency as trees in which the disease has progressed too far will not survive even after treatment, so the earlier this happens the better. Kauri are carbon sinks, we need to keep these trees alive as long as possible.

In addition we would like to see specific support, including financial support, for the following initiatives to protect and enhance existing tree cover:

- Practical support and (for eg legal) advice for private landowners wishing to provide permanent protection for their trees eg via covenants &/or scheduling to enable

protection of existing tree cover on private land to be optimised as most of the mature trees in Auckland are on private land with no legal protection.

- Grants for private landowners to maintain Scheduled Notable Trees on their property
- Provide permanent and visible physical labels for all Scheduled Notable Trees in the local board area to enable the public to see that this tree is legally protected and tell the stories of our natural heritage.
- Look for opportunities to schedule additional mature trees and encourage Council to undertake Plan Changes to the Unitary Plan to regularly add new trees to Schedule 10 (Notable Trees).
- Look for opportunities to raise awareness of the value of Scheduled Notable Trees by organising events to celebrate them such as guided walks, community picnics, heritage talks.
- We would like to see specific support, including financial support, for mana whenua, local communities and groups undertaking the following types of initiatives within the local board area:
  - water quality testing
  - monitoring of beaches
  - treatment of diseased kauri trees on local parks and private land
  - monitoring for myrtle rust
  - weed control
  - pest control
  - protection of rare birds eg dotterel
  - restoration planting
- Public education on issues affecting biodiversity such as:
  - kauri dieback, myrtle rust
  - weeds
  - animal and insect pests
  - other biosecurity threats
  - control of dogs in sensitive areas



- conflicting uses eg vehicles on beaches
- rules for marine reserves

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We are delighted to see recognition of the low level of canopy cover and green space in your area and your aim to support mana whenua and community groups working to enhance biodiversity and undertake tree planting. However we would like to point out that the Urban Ngahere Strategy target for canopy cover across the urban area is 30% not 15%. That is the absolute minimum for local board areas, not a target that you should be satisfied to have achieved!

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Because they want to commit to programmes of Health & wellbeing.



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The budget restrictions they face

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because it sounds nice and cool and why not

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Because I wanna support local businesses, and to enhance transport/busways

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Support

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Because I wanna help create local employment opportunities, especially if its for youth. Helping bring more visitors to explore our area MHJC isn't well-known.

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I am of the opinion that good equality and diverse practices provided to a diverse community are fair and accessible to all. This ensures dignity and respect and that differences are appreciated and celebrated.

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**Tell us why**

The natural environment gives us a wealth of services, that are difficult to measure in dollars. We need clean air, purity of water, food, medicines, reduction of chemical and noise pollution, slow down flood waters, clean and sustainable living. We only have one home - earth.

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Improvement of better physical and mental health. Cleaner environment and holistic educational opportunities. This leads to more and better productivity. Access to facilities is a must, as well as to educate people to the advantages.



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These measures will benefit the community by relieving traffic congestion and increase accessibility to businesses and other facilities. The walking and cycling networks will appeal to all, assisting and promoting health and wellbeing.

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Productivity leads to better local economies and benefit the residence enormously. This is why expanding businesses will be a game changer, creating jobs, that will appeal to those who are unemployed as well as those who seeks a variety of employment oppo

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1. Businesses must reduce their emissions after measuring it.

2. People should fuel themselves with healthy foods.
3. Reaching 100% carbon pollution-free electricity.
4. More people must have the choice to walk or cycle.
5. Affordable buses (electric) or trains that run on clean energy.
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Community is the core of all that should be done. It is important to build highly resilient and robust community. This should be the most important commitment of the HLB.

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Our public places are in a neglected state. More care needs to be devoted. A large chunk of Barry Curtis Park has been cut/sold for commercial purposes. Don't take our assets away.

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Ormiston/Flatbush definitely needs a library and more community large halls. the present facilities can barely fit 40 people.

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No businesses will flourish if they live in fear of ram-raids and thefts. You need to make them feel safe to begin with. People are struggling to stay above water post covid-19. Free advertising and incentives would be great.

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'- Police needs to be more active as the crime rate has risen drastically.

- Encourage people to grow their own food like 'Backyard Gardens'.
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**Tell us why**

don't support low budgets

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#### Tell us why

I don't support!



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I would like to thank you very much for doing everything. I really appreciate it, thank you. Even though it's very tough, good luck!

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I would say sports, as I am a sporty person, and personally love playing sports



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safe is important thing

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**Tell us why**

bike cannot support people who work in CBD. As long as improved public transport. There will be more space for bike on road.

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People who are living in Flat Bush/Ormiston have multi culture background. we need support and respect from local community. Also, more and more people move to Flat Bush/Ormiston (like big family, four - six people in a hose, they would like to engage in local facilities/activities like library, swimming pool), they don't need to drive/catch buses to another nearby community.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

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Do not support

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

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Partially support

#### Tell us why

We stand united in supporting people from all diverse communities, embracing their unique backgrounds and contributions to society.

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

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Let's come together to support and protect our precious natural environment for a sustainable future.

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Partially support

**Tell us why**

We are dedicated to promoting community participation. by providing accessible and inclusive and facilities for all.

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I don't know

**Tell us why**

We are committed to supporting our growth, development, and transportation infrastructure to enhance the wellbeing and progress of our community

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We are actively working towards supporting our economic recovery, resilience and prosperity for all.

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Support

#### Tell us why

I think it is very important to be able to feel safe around the area, and also to keep some of our history.

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Support

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I support being able to live in a green environment and being able to observe the living organisms surrounding us.

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I think development is important as it gives us better access to resources.

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Support

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I support the fact that we should create local employment opportunities, as well as improving the economy after a pandemic.

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Support

#### Tell us why

Regarding the plan, it lists most of the needs of our community, like local environment, community facilities/activities, transports and cultural diversities.

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#### Tell us why

People who are living in Flat Bush/Ormiston come from multi cultural background, especially Asian cultural background. Community also need to encourage Asian culture background as same time as Maori culture.



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Not much ideas about avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive building. However, our local communities should be better provide more places for healthy, like kids playground or outdoor gym facilities.

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**Tell us why**

Strongly recommend the train service around in the botany/Flat Bush areas. At the moment, only Manukau and Panmure are close to us, but we need catch buses first, or drive there. Parking is the big problem.

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Most of our friends who are living in FlatBush/Ormiston area, are considering local library, recreation centre.



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Support

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Support

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Support



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It covers a wide field, such as rubbish collection, public transport etc.

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communities well connected through collective and other activities

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environmental protection is an important issue, affecting our life and safety

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We need more facilities and spaces for people to engage in sports and recreational activities.

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Public transport needs to improve. Hope the Local Board will continue to hear people's voices in this respect.

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All points listed are important to our local economic growth.

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No idea about the budget and funding.



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Support

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Information of the local board is helpful for living the area in the city.

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For wellbeing in our lives

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## Introducing Disabled Persons Assembly NZ

### We work on systemic change for the equity of disabled people

Disabled Persons Assembly NZ (DPA) is a not-for-profit pan-impairment Disabled People's Organisation run by and for disabled people.

#### We recognise:

- Māori as Tangata Whenua and [Te Tiriti o Waitangi](#) as the founding document of Aotearoa New Zealand;
- disabled people as experts on their own lives;
- the [Social Model of Disability](#) as the guiding principle for interpreting disability and impairment;
- the [United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#) as the basis for disabled people's relationship with the State;
- the [New Zealand Disability Strategy](#) as Government agencies' guide on disability issues; and
- the [Enabling Good Lives Principles](#), [Whāia Te Ao Mārama: Māori Disability Action Plan](#), and [Faiva Ora: National Pasifika Disability Disability Plan](#) as avenues to disabled people gaining greater choice and control over their lives and supports.

#### We drive systemic change through:

- **Leadership:** reflecting the collective voice of disabled people, locally, nationally and internationally.
- **Information and advice:** informing and advising on policies impacting on the lives of disabled people.
- **Advocacy:** supporting disabled people to have a voice, including a collective voice, in society.
- **Monitoring:** monitoring and giving feedback on existing laws, policies and practices about and relevant to disabled people.

## UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

DPA was influential in creating the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD),<sup>1</sup> a foundational document for disabled people which New Zealand has signed and ratified, confirming that disabled people must have the same human rights as everyone else. All state bodies in New Zealand, including local and regional government, have a responsibility to uphold the principles and articles of this convention. There are a number of UNCRPD articles particularly relevant to this submission, including:

- **Article 3 – General principles**
- **Article 9 – Accessibility**
- **Article 19 – Living independently and being included in the community**
- **Article 27 – Work and employment**
- **Article 28 – Adequate standard of living and social protection**
- **Article 29 – Participation in political and public life**
- **Article 30 – Participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport**

## **New Zealand Disability Strategy 2016-2026**

Since ratifying the UNCRPD, the New Zealand Government has established a Disability Strategy<sup>2</sup> to guide the work of government agencies on disability issues. The vision is that New Zealand be a non-disabling society, where disabled people have equal opportunity to achieve their goals and aspirations, and that all of New Zealand works together to make this happen. It identifies eight outcome areas contributing to achieving this vision. There are a number of Strategy outcomes particularly relevant to this submission, including:

- **Outcome 5 – Accessibility**

## **The Submission**

### **1.) Introduction and Guiding Principles**

DPA welcomes this opportunity to make a generic submission covering all local board areas to raise general principles/themes that every Auckland Council board should take into consideration when considering their local plans from a disability perspective.

This includes that there should be specific references to the needs, issues and aspirations of disabled people in each local area within all plans. The disabled communities of Auckland need to be more visible in these plans as there are few references to disabled people's concerns and issues within many of them.

DPA believes that this points out the need for more consultation specifically targeted to the disabled communities in each board area.

Ultimately, this means that disabled people should be recognised as a specific stakeholder group who should be actively consulted with and have our needs fully referenced within all plans.

**Recommendation 1:** that all local boards are required to specifically consult with disabled people as a distinct stakeholder group as part of all local board plan consultation processes.

**Recommendation 2:** that all local boards specifically reference the needs, views and priorities of disabled people (alongside those of other communities) within all local board plan documents.

Significantly, there appears to be either minimal or no data on the number of disabled people in each board area. While DPA notes that the last full Statistics New Zealand Disability Survey figures date from 2013 and that a new survey is about to be undertaken, Auckland Council should collaborate with Statistics New Zealand and other official data stakeholders to estimate the number of disabled people in the region for planning purposes.



**Recommendation 3:** that Auckland Council collaborate with Statistics New Zealand and other official data stakeholders to estimate the number of disabled people in each board area and across the region for planning purposes.

The fact that disabled people are not specifically targeted or fully included in all board plans has led to the absence of each local plan not being available in accessible formats including New Zealand Sign Language, Braille, Easy Read, Large Print and audio on the Council's website.

**Recommendation 4:** that Auckland Council ensures all local plans are published and available in accessible formats including New Zealand Sign Language, Braille, Easy Read, Large Print and audio.

Noting all the above factors, this submission focuses on key areas of concern for the disabled community that have been touched upon in our past submissions to the Auckland Council.

Our submission will focus on the need for local boards to plan and/or champion the following principles from a disability perspective. These include the need for:

- Accessible and inclusive communities
- Environmentally and climatically sustainable communities
- Communities that provide economic and social opportunities

## **2.) Brief background – important disability statistics**

One in four New Zealanders have a disability or long-term health condition. Māori and Pacific peoples have an even higher-than-average rate of disability. There were approximately 271,000 disabled people residing in Auckland in 2013<sup>1</sup> (the latest data available), a number which rises to over 300,000 when accounting for current population increases.

<sup>1</sup> Statistics New Zealand. (2013). New Zealand Disability Survey. Retrieved from [http://archive.stats.govt.nz/browse\\_for\\_stats/health/disabilities/DisabilitySurvey\\_HOTP2013.aspx#gsc.tab=05](http://archive.stats.govt.nz/browse_for_stats/health/disabilities/DisabilitySurvey_HOTP2013.aspx#gsc.tab=05)

Disabled people in Auckland face an increased risk of living in poverty largely due to lower incomes and extra resource requirements compared to non-disabled people.<sup>2</sup> Statistics also show that disabled New Zealanders are grossly overrepresented in unemployment rates; two-thirds of disabled people earn less than \$30,000 per annum, increasing the likelihood of poor socio-economic outcomes.<sup>3</sup>

One of the top issues for disabled people across Tāmaki Makaurau is that of housing.

Disabled people as a group are disproportionately impacted by homelessness. This is due to disabled people being overrepresented amongst low-income earners while also facing higher living costs due to disability. For this reason, disabled people are more likely to be renters; 2018 data from Statistics New Zealand shows that 47% of disabled people rent compared to 35% of non-disabled people.<sup>4</sup>

Disabled people are also at greater risk of homelessness due to the lack of security around ongoing tenancy and this is exacerbated by the low number of accessible houses not only in Auckland but throughout the country.

Another area of ongoing concern for disabled people is access to transport.

Earlier this year we submitted on the Auckland Council's Future Transport Projects plan. In that submission, we outlined how disabled people are highly reliant on public transport given the significant proportion of disabled people who don't drive.

<sup>2</sup> Wilkinson-Meyers et al. (2015). To live an ordinary life: resource needs and additional costs for people with a physical impairment. *Disability & Society*, 30(7), 976-990.

<sup>3</sup> King, P. T. (2019). Māori with Lived Experience of Disability Part II. Commissioned by the Waitangi Tribunal. Retrieved from [https://forms.justice.govt.nz/search/Documents/WT/wt\\_DOC\\_150473583/Wai%202575%2C%20B023.pdf](https://forms.justice.govt.nz/search/Documents/WT/wt_DOC_150473583/Wai%202575%2C%20B023.pdf)

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Nevertheless, provision needs to be made to accommodate the transport needs of all disabled people and this includes for those who transport themselves via different modes including driving, bussing, walking, cycling, using taxis, ferries and trains.

In 2022, Waka Kotahi published independently commissioned research (in which DPA collaborated) entitled *Transport experiences of disabled people in Aotearoa New Zealand*.<sup>5</sup>

This research illustrated the ongoing accessibility challenges faced by disabled people when using public transport. Disabled people's main challenges included, for example, issues around using Total Mobility (TM), the inaccessibility of bus services, lack of footpaths and safe crossing points, and feeling excluded from the planning of sustainable city centres, as well as the disablist attitudes of some transport planners.

Disabled people also have ongoing issues with accessing train and ferry services in Auckland and the need for improved transport accessibility and affordability.

### **3.) Accessible and inclusive communities**

Disabled people want to live in fully accessible communities which are inclusive of everyone.

DPA believes that disabled people have the right to access all facets of the communities they live in including public buildings, transport networks, schools, housing, playgrounds, parks, community facilities/amenities, and footpaths on an equitable basis with non-disabled people.

This means that disabled people should have the right to go everywhere and anywhere within the local communities in which they live without barriers being placed in the way of their full participation.

That is why DPA stresses the need for Auckland local boards to both champion and build community facilities and infrastructure (or those over which boards have direct responsibility for) to Universal Design Standards (to at least level 5). We also made

<sup>5</sup> Doran, B., Crossland, K., Brown, P., & Stafford, L. (2022). Transport experiences of disabled people in Aotearoa New Zealand (Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency research report 690). Retrieved from <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/research/reports/690>

this call in our recent submission to Auckland Council's Future Development Strategy.

**Recommendation 5:** that all local boards fully champion and build community facilities and infrastructure (which they have direct control over) to Universal Design Standards (at least to level 5) to ensure accessibility.

All communities in Auckland should be fully accessible for every disabled person to live in too, and this includes people with mobility impairments, blind and low vision people, neurodiverse people (i.e., Autistic people), people with psychosocial disabilities/mental distress and Deaf/deaf communities.

This can be achieved, for example, through having accessible wayfinding signage in public spaces/places, quiet spaces where people can retreat to in busy areas (which are suitable for neurodiverse people and people experiencing mental distress), accessible bus stops, mobility parking and vehicle drop off areas, appropriate seating where people can sit and rest as well as good lighting and security features.

Building infrastructure to UD standards – including, most importantly, housing - should support the building of accessible, inclusive communities.

On housing, local boards should act as an advocate and champion to both central and local government - as well as to private and non-government sector stakeholders - for more accessible housing, especially that built to UD standards which can accommodate the needs of all people who may live in any dwelling across its lifetime, including disabled people.

Accessible housing should be available in all board areas within Auckland and at affordable prices for both rentals and buying.

**Recommendation 6:** that all local boards champion and advocate for the building of more accessible Universal Design housing in their areas.

Associated with the need for more accessible housing and community infrastructure is the requirement for fully accessible and affordable public transport connections in all areas.

All of Auckland Council's local boards can act as advocates, champions and partners with disabled people in both calling for and working together with Auckland Council and Auckland Transport on transport solutions that will give greater accessibility and choice to disabled Aucklanders.

These solutions include support for the development of Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) systems which are supported by networks of accessible bus, ferry and rail routes which are, in turn, serviced by fully accessible trains, buses and ferries. They should centre around the availability of accessible supporting infrastructure in the form of bus interchanges and stops, ferry terminals and railway stations.

**Recommendation 7:** that all local boards advocate and champion the extension of accessible transport networks for all Aucklanders, including disabled people.

Local boards should also support calls to make public transport more affordable, including for disabled people, by ensuring that the Total Mobility (TM) Scheme (that provides a 75 percent discount on all taxi and mobility service transport fares for those eligible) remains a key component of the transport system as it gives disabled people the opportunity to fully participate in their communities.

DPA recommends that local boards should advocate to Auckland Council and Auckland Transport to annually adjust the maximum fare cap to keep pace with inflation, so that disabled people can continue accessing journeys throughout the Auckland region.

**Recommendation 8:** that all local boards advocate for the extension of affordable public transport to all Aucklanders, especially to transport disadvantaged communities which include disabled people.

All local boards should be mindful that the need for fully accessible, inclusive communities must be underpinned by the undertaking of extensive barrier free

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**Recommendation 9:** that local boards either undertake or support the undertaking of barrier free audits in areas where infrastructure improvements are planned.

#### **4.) Environmentally and climatically sustainable communities**

The disabled community are already being severely hit by the impacts of climate change and are expected to be one of the hardest hit population groups going forward, locally, nationally and internationally.<sup>6</sup>

DPA found that after reaching out to our members in Auckland following the recent weather events that while many disabled people were resilient and had withstood the floods well, others had not as we heard stories about the impact that weather-enforced homelessness had on disabled people, especially given the lack of accessible housing.

DPA calls upon local boards to ensure that disabled people in every ward area can have their voices heard on all matters pertaining to planning for climate change, especially when developing mitigation strategies.

When it comes to planning climate change mitigation strategies, including the need to develop more 20-minute communities and managed retreat plans, disabled people need to be heard as, for example, planning for the potential red zoning of certain areas from being built on will have considerable ramifications for disabled people going forward including the need to potentially re-locate to less flood prone areas.

Nevertheless, DPA supports the need for red-zoning and building bans in areas where flooding, inundation and sea level rise risks will make it impossible to live in an increasingly warmer world.

<sup>6</sup> Schulte, C. (2020, March 28). People With Disabilities Needed in Fight Against Climate Change. Retrieved from <https://www.hrw.org/news/2020/05/28/people-disabilities-needed-fight-against-climate-change#:~:text=People%20with%20disabilities%20are%20at,said%20in%20a%20recent%20report.>

All area board plans should specifically note the implications of climate change on marginalised communities, and this includes disabled people and that the voices of everyone, including Māori, Pasifika, disabled people, older people and others need to be clearly elevated and heard when it comes to climate change and environmental sustainability projects.

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## **5.) Communities that provide economic and social opportunities**

All local boards should champion, support and facilitate economic and social opportunities for all communities, including disabled people.

Earlier in the submission we pointed out the lower socioeconomic status of most of the disabled community.

While disabled people live in all areas of Auckland and in all communities across the socioeconomic spectrum, there is a higher proportion of disabled people living in lower socioeconomic areas compared to higher socioeconomic areas.

Nevertheless, all local boards in the dispensing of community grants should prioritise the needs of disabled people and community flax roots disability organisations. We would like to see local boards fund more community organisations and initiatives which are run both by and for disabled people on a self-determining basis.

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Lastly, we ask that all local boards play a role in monitoring the impacts of the recent budget cuts imposed by Auckland Council.

We made an extensive submission to Auckland Council on their budget proposals earlier this year and we opposed all cuts to council services and activities. Our submission noted the impact of proposals like cuts to library services and community funding on the ability of disabled people to fully participate in the community.

DPA acknowledges that Council took some of the proposed cuts off the table, but others remain and are currently being implemented.



For this reason, DPA asks that local boards not only monitor the impacts of cuts on residents but also acts to collectively speak out about any impacts on communities.

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1. A simple speed hump is needed between the entrance to Macleans Park and Luke Place at Eastern Beach. The park attracts many young people who, when leaving the park, like to make a grand exit by speeding to the first traffic calming device at Luke Place. Cars exceeding the speed limit and driving at speed in this area are dangerous for the residents and many visitors.
2. Something is needed at the boat ramp to prevent cars from accessing and driving along the beach. Vehicles drive into the grassed picnic area at the southern end of Eastern Beach this way. There used to be bollards at the boat ramp to prevent traffic on the beach, but these have long gone. Could replacement bollards be installed, or some of the large rocks at the southern end of Eastern Beach be moved to the boat ramp area and positioned to prevent cars from accessing and driving along the beach?
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Book sale

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### 2. Trade competition declaration

Forest & Bird would not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

### 3. Hearing options

We may wish to be heard in support of this submission.

## Introduction

Forest & Bird is New Zealand's largest and longest-serving independent conservation organisation, with over 100,000 members and supporters. Its mission is to be a voice for nature, on land, in fresh water, and at sea, on behalf of its members and supporters. Volunteers in 50 branches throughout New Zealand carry out community conservation projects and advocate for nature. Forest & Bird has nine branches and three major projects in the Auckland region alone.

In support of the society's objectives, it has been involved in resource management processes at the national, regional, and district level. It routinely submits on regional and district plan provisions, some resource consents and advocates in the Environment Court in relation to biodiversity, landscape and natural character. It is particularly committed to ensuring that the environmental bottom lines established in national policy statements in order to give substance to the "protective" element of Part 2 of the RMA are given effect to in regional and district plans and achieved through decisions on resource consents.

The South Auckland branch carries out a range of activities, including but not limited to weed control, pest control, restorative planting, education events, content creation and environmental advocacy. The South Auckland branch covers the area from the Waikato Region boarder, west to Karioitahi, east to the Hauraki Gulf and north to Mount Wellington, including many significant areas such as the Hunua Ranges. Everyone involved in the branches are volunteers, including the committee, trappers, and supporters.

In addition, Forest & Bird has one of its National Conservation Projects located in the area, South-East Wildlink. The project covers 10188 ha in the South-Eastern semi-rural part of Auckland. The Wildlink creates a corridor of native bush between the two Forest & Bird reserves, Totara Park, Auckland Botanic Gardens, and Clevedon Scenic Reserve, providing a safe habitat for native animals and invertebrates to feed, roost and breed. It aims to protect native birds, lizards, insects, and critically endangered long-tailed bats, which have been spotted in the Wildlink area, from introduced predators. Eventually, Forest & Bird hopes the South-East Wildlink will connect with Hunua and Waitakere regional parks and pest-free islands in the Hauraki Gulf. Forest & Bird volunteers have been carrying out pest control for years in its two reserves: the 20-acre Olive Davis Reserve and the 37-acre Ngaheretuku Reserve, plus 120 acres of adjoining bush and Totara Park area. This landscape scale, community-based project demonstrates how to control pest animals in a way that engages residents and brings a range of benefits for people and nature.

## Approach

We are structuring our submission to include Objectives, Key Initiatives, and Advocacy items; just as they may appear in a Local Board Plan; along with commentary on some items and localised specifics.

## Our Environment

While we agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives, we would like to offer the below objectives and key initiatives to integrate into the Local Board Plan:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
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<p>We will adopt landscape approaches to managing our environment that recognise the connections between different local habitats, such as the South-East Wildlink.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support initiatives that deliver on current ecological strategies.</li> <li>• Identify and prioritise restoration planting opportunities, for community and council projects, that create ecological connections by retiring hard</li> </ul>



	to maintain areas within existing parks and reserves.
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**Advocacy:**

We support all the current advocacy points. We believe the inclusion of the below advocacy points would help the Local Board achieve its objectives;

- Advocate to the Governing Body that the Local Board and local volunteer groups are more directly involved in the setting and delivery of council-controlled ecological services
- Advocate for funding and regulation to enhance water retention and reduce stormwater surges in local streams through the use of retention tanks, rain gardens, wetland restoration, tree planting, reduced impermeable surfaces, and the daylighting of streams.
- Advocate for the development of Blue Green Spatial Network plans, especially in future urban zones that support the preservation and enhancement of natural assets (such as streams and wetlands) that will create greater resilience to flooding, improve water quality and maintain/enhance ecological connectivity
- Advocate for priority development of shoreline adaptation plans including funding to implement actions to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.
- Advocate for strong tree protection (in particular of mature native trees) to support the goals of Urban Ngahere action plans and strategies and maintained canopy coverage
- Advocate for reserve acquisition, the retention of open space and planning rules that promote the development of new local habitats that improve ecological connectivity
- Raise awareness and advocate for dark sky areas/decreased light pollution and the importance of this for indigenous birds.
- Advocate for increased monitoring of water quality
- Advocate Council and CCOs to make room for rivers and streams to flood safely, so that flooding does not destroy communities, by stopping development in flood-prone areas and enabling managed retreat

*Our community: Our communities live well alongside nature as climate changes*

We would like to see the objectives and key initiatives under *Our community* expanded to include the below:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
We adopt best practices for all council maintenance and projects to maximise the net benefit to community and nature.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve climate impact statements in reports to consider net emissions, biodiversity loss, effect on impermeable surfaces and stormwater, and scarce resource use and recovery.</li> </ul>
Our communities are resilient to climate change and care for their surrounding environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support initiatives that build community networks and connections which help communities respond to emergencies and the impact of climate change and biodiversity loss</li> <li>• Support community led initiatives and projects that improve wellbeing by promoting a sustainable lifestyle,</li> </ul>

	including waste minimisation, emissions reductions and the implementation, maintenance and understanding of ecosystem services
Our aquatic, recreational, art, and community facilities are fit-for-service, meet the needs of our growing and changing population, and are resilient to climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure our playing surfaces, sports fields, aquatic, recreational facilities, and community facilities meet increasing social and recreational needs, are accessible, well maintained, available to the public, sustainable, resilient to climate change, and fit for purpose.</li> </ul>

## Advocacy

We would like to see the advocacy section under *Our community* expanded to include:

- Advocate to the governing body for appropriate long-term planning and associated funding for infrastructure in growth areas that support Auckland climate goals.
- Advocate to the governing body for immediate long term risk scenario planning for the next 50 to 100 years to prepare for and respond to climate changes.
- Advocate for adequate level of renewals funding to ensure existing assets are well maintained and are adapted to be resilient to climate change.
- Advocate to Watercare for the use of non-potable water for irrigation of sports and recreation facilities.
- Advocate to the governing body, Auckland transport and Watercare to ensure Aucklanders have a greater understanding about the policies for maintaining and monitoring infrastructure and the importance of reporting faults.

*Our Places and Our Economy*: Our economy meets the needs of our communities with minimal impact on nature.

We would like to see the objectives and key initiatives under *Our Places and Our Economy* expanded to include the below:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
Getting around without a car is attractive because of the seamless and safe network of paths and public transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to renew and enhance path networks to create more direct routes as well as connected networks for walking and cycling</li> <li>• Deliver and maintain more healthy street trees and rain gardens to beautify walking areas, while achieving Urban Ngahere plans and strategies, climate emissions mitigation, providing shade, and better stormwater management.</li> </ul>

<p>Our economy grows through sustainable practices by embracing the circular economy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support projects that engage, advise, educate, and assist our community on how to minimise and build the circular economy</li> <li>• Support the work and expansion of the network of community recycling centres for the benefit of our community</li> </ul>
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### Advocacy

- Advocate to the Governing Body and central government to assist our local economy to become more sustainable by adapting circular economy practices and increase resilience to climate impacts.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi (NZTA) for increased funding for walkways and cycleways, and their complementary infrastructure, to ensure a safe and fully connected active transport network that is integrated with public transport.
- Advocate for Auckland Transport to take a more proactive approach by taking the lead in working with new commercial developments that are trip generators, such as supermarkets, to include provision for safe public transport infrastructure, such as bus stops, even on streets with a higher volume of users.
- Advocate to AT to deliver projects that align with the Transport Emissions Reduction Pathway (TERP), the key strategy to de-carbonise Auckland’s transport system.
- Advocate to AT for improved cycle and pathway safety, including lighting, physical traffic barriers, accessibility and proactive maintenance to prevent problems
- Advocate to AT for more local initiatives to contribute to decarbonisation by encouraging more use of public transport. Examples could be electric on-demand public transport options or better bike storage at transport hubs

### Selective Commentary

#### *Our environment: Nature thrives across our entire rohe.*

Connecting highly valued ecological habitats is an important part of enhancing the biodiversity within them. Most native and indigenous biodiversity is not adapted to crossing sparse urban areas; with many forest birds only willing to fly a couple of hundred metres between forest fragments. As the city continues to intensify, with a corresponding loss of private open space, council needs to invest in developing and maintaining ecological corridors to connect biodiversity hotspots. This involves both the development of existing reserves to host biodiversity (daylighting streams, planting, etc) and acquiring new protected ecological spaces through acquisition and vesting of reserves and planning rules. Maintaining these biodiversity hotspots and ecological corridors requires a landscape approach to council controlled ecological maintenance and community collaborations. This means prioritising investment in ecological and park maintenance to manage pest plant and animal populations in specific areas rather than regional elimination of selective pests.

Often there is a correlation between ecological corridors and urban waterways. As such, investment in terrestrial ecology along streams and wetlands has a positive impact on managing stormwater while enhancing freshwater ecology and the health of receiving waterbodies such as the Manukau Harbour. Blue-Green Spatial network plans are an important planning tool for identifying where open space needs to be retained or reclaimed from development to manage stormwater, to

minimise sediment and pollution entering the harbour and to mitigate the risk of flooding. Within currently urbanised areas opportunities to reclaim open space in flood prone areas should be a priority, alongside reducing the impact of stormwater surge by supporting the use of water retention devices and planting in new development and retrofitting older developments.

Highly valued ecological habitats are not the only places where biodiversity is valued. Tree cover across the entire urbanised area provides benefits for people and for native fauna; regardless of whether it is native or not.

*Our Communities and Places: Our communities live well alongside nature as climate changes*  
Within many Local Board Plans, goals for sustainable lifestyles and climate change adaptation are included within the environment outcome. We believe that these objectives are better placed across outcomes where they will be acted on more directly. This is of particular importance when considering that the end users of Local Board Plans are Council Departments and CCOs. We do not want climate change and sustainability to just be an issue considered by those parts of the council concerned with environment and infrastructure. Within this outcome we want it to be at the forefront of mind for those parts of council concerned with community development and resilience, and the provision of sports and recreation facilities. While these actions can have a positive impact on nature and areas of biodiversity, their primary benefit will be in the lives of people and communities.

*Our Places and Our Economy: Our economy meets the needs of our communities with minimal impact on nature.*

Our communities spend more time involved in economic activity than any other single activity. Economics is not simply the domain of business owners and managers; it is also the interest of workers, customers, and nature. Nature cannot be seen as a limitless resource of materials for economic systems and the mythical “away” to which we throw the waste of economic activity. The resources that fuel our economic activity are scarce and if we waste them for short term profits then we will continue to destroy our natural heritage and rob future generations of economic opportunity.

Adopting a circular economy; where the waste of one economic activity is recovered to fuel another economic activity, is the most responsible form of economic development. Investing in waste recovery, through incentives like community recycling centres, creates employment and new sources of raw materials for local businesses. Community initiatives like repair cafes improve the wellbeing of residents by extending the useful lifespan of the goods they already own.

Transport is another economic activity that requires reform to become more efficient. Not only can Auckland not financially afford to continue to address congestion by investing more in roads for private vehicles; but doing so deprives the city of many other benefits from public and active transport. Public and active transport are both more efficient uses of scarce resources, reducing economic impact on nature. They are also more social means of travel that can build community and make places safer by putting more active eyes onto the streets. Local Boards play a key role in the development of active transport through street to park connections in Greenways plans, Local Board transport capital funds and advocacy to Auckland Transport. Delivering an effective active transport network should not just be about paths though, street trees and facilities play an important part in making these spaces attractive options to meet transport needs.

Thank you for considering Forest & Bird’s submission.



## Howick Local Board Plan

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**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

- 1. Do you think our plan reflects the needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?**

I don't know

**Tell us why**

- 2. Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

Climate change is having an increasing impact on the environment and on our daily lives. We will commit to support initiatives that will help improve our natural environment. It is important to maintain healthy, functioning ecosystems throughout the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, as well as the Tamaki Estuary, and the need to both reduce emissions and build local resilience to respond to the changing climate. Working together with mana whenua as kaitiaki of this area will help achieve this.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

Community participation is critical for the Howick Local Board area. We want to provide places for healthy, active lifestyles to suit our diverse communities in building on our network of parks and open spaces, however we must face the reality of budget restrictions. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

Howick Local Board is committed to fostering partnerships with local town centres to enhance the vibrancy of the area and support local businesses. The board also acknowledges the importance of a well-connected transport network, and will fully capitalise on the opportunities that the Eastern Busway project brings, including walking cycling networks throughout the local board area.

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Support

**Tell us why**

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

Support

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

- 8.** As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**



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### Civic Trust Auckland

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**Tell us why**

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See attached



## **Submission of Civic Trust Auckland**

### **Draft Local Board Plans - all**

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### **Introduction**

Civic Trust Auckland (CTA) is a non-profit public interest group, incorporated in 1968, with activities and interests throughout the greater Auckland region

The aims of the Trust include:

- Protection of natural landforms
- Preservation of heritage, in all its aspects
- Encouragement of good planning, for the city and region.

We are on Council's list of regional stakeholders and we have previously provided submissions on Local Board plans, as well as on many other Auckland Council plans. Some matters that we have advocated for are now in place, such as smoke-free parks and public open spaces, more resource recovery centres and public education about waste reduction, especially as regards plastic bag use, and Local Boards holding their monthly meetings at varying times.

Other matters are partly in place but we feel the need to submit on them again, including improved public transport: bus, rail and ferry services, better provision for walking and cycling, involving the community more in decision making as well as supporting them as volunteers and improved Local Board engagement with the community, perhaps through a regular clinic at varying times of the day.

CTA has a particular focus on the Environment and Climate Action parts of the Local Board plans.

CTA greatly appreciates the work of Local Boards, and recognises that they know their local communities and are focused on the needs of those particular communities, as well as responding to Auckland Council plans. We are aware of the reduced amount of funding Local Boards have been allocated. We support in general the initiatives in the draft plans. We have highlighted some areas of particular support and particular concern, first making some general points about all Local Board plans as well as particular points for a number of Local Boards, in alphabetical order according to the names of those Local Boards. When quoting from Local Board plans, we use *italics*.

## All Local Boards

### Climate Action

All the plans address climate action and emissions reduction. We support all Local Boards in the importance they have placed on climate action and commend those that have their own Climate Action Plan, especially those that put them in place even before Auckland Council formulated its Climate Action Plan, such as Puketāpapa. As stated in the Upper Harbour Draft Local Board Plan: “*We recognize that climate change is a complex issue that will require collaborative effort from all of us*” (page 10). The Kaipātiki Local Board articulates that “Climate impact is a key consideration for all decisions made.”

The plans address similar concerns:

- lack of knowledge about how to live low carbon lives
- community preparedness for impacts of climate change
- additional barriers for migrant and ethnic communities
- lack of access to reliable public transport
- road safety concerns, particularly in rural areas
- coastline erosion, sea level rise and flooding
- low tree canopy cover and lack of greenspace to match the rate of urban development and intensification • vegetation, soil and biodiversity loss (urban development, transport, pollution)

We support climate actions across the Local Boards such as

- establishing / supporting EcoNeighbourhoods
- implementing local Urban Ngahere (Forest) Action Plans
- implementing Shoreline Adaptation Plans, especially in collaboration with a neighbouring Local Board
- local waste minimisation, resource recovery initiatives and public education about waste reduction.
- the planting of more trees by Local Boards and support for the community to plant trees
- ensuring Local Board assets will be resilient to the impacts of climate change or severe weather, and reinstating any assets lost or damaged as a result of storm events
- implementing low carbon practices when upgrading or developing Local Board assets
- developing community-led emergency preparedness plans and
- working alongside the community in response to flood events

Furthermore, we support those Local Boards such as Aotea-Great-Barrier that have their own local Emergency Response Team to lead emergency preparedness, response and recovery, and those advocating, as the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board articulates: “*Advocate to and work with Auckland Emergency Management and wider council departments to support community networks and connections that help people to fare better and respond to emergencies and the impacts of climate change*” (page 16).

We are hopeful that communities know about their local Climate Action Plan or are able to find it online or elsewhere.

### **Māori Outcomes**

As stated in all the Local Board plans, *“Māori identity and culture are Auckland’s unique point of difference in the world.”* CTA endorses all the plans listing strong Māori initiatives that build whānau wellbeing and strengthen resilience, such as practicing te ao Māori guardianship (kaitiakitanga) principles led by mana whenua and incorporating mana whenua identity and culture into the design of developments. We support dual naming of parks and other sites to reflect Māori heritage.

We note that the Manurewa Local Board has the highest proportion and highest number of Māori residents across all the Local Boards and that, appropriately, they include in their plan a particularly strong and high number of listed Māori outcomes, including for Māori youth.

### **Places**

All Local Board Plans have included the following in their draft plans under Local Planning and Development:

*“We support local town centres and communities to thrive by developing town centre plans and development, supporting Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), heritage plans and initiatives.”*

Local boards, sometimes with input from local heritage organisations, arguably have the best understanding of their local heritage and therefore have an important role in its identification, protection and enhancement. We strongly support local boards identifying and assessing the heritage items and places in their area, making use of local knowledge and skills to do so, and consulting with stakeholders in working to preserve and enhance their built and natural heritage.

We observe that the Waitemātā Local Board lists particular heritage buildings in its draft plan, and it seems that only two other Local Board do so (Orakei Local Board – Remuera Library, Waitākere Ranges – Waikumete Cemetery, the rail station house and Playhouse Theatre). We know that communities value their heritage buildings and we know that many of them remain unidentified and unprotected, so we encourage Local Boards to include the identification, protection, enhancement and restoration of built heritage as key initiatives in their plans.

CTA supports local boards to advocate and provide for local board input for improved outcomes for heritage in Council planning documents for the region’s collective heritage.

CTA supports the creation and maintaining of a regional cultural heritage database to provide information to landowners, resource consent applicants and other interest groups. We encourage Council and community groups sharing collective information for the purposes of heritage identification.

CTA encourages all Local Boards to investigate incentives for enhancing low quality designs and to encourage any design solutions that might assist in this. We support Local Boards advocating to the Governing Body for the creation of the position of City Architect.

We support Local Boards reviewing their community-leased buildings, approach and fees to make best strategic use of those spaces.

We support the intention of the Local Boards which are looking at partnership opportunities with local schools, churches, and other organisations to make their spaces available for community use and to ensure programmes and initiatives are coordinated to fill any gaps and to avoid duplication. Schools in particular are a valuable resource for all communities, both their facilities and their populations.

We support the Local Boards working with Kāinga Ora to help provide park and community facility assets, as well as integrate their housing developments with the character of the area, ensure that developments are well planned and that the transport and other infrastructure works well.

## Environment

Many of the Local Boards in their plans recognise and celebrate their environmental volunteers who have restored, protected and cleaned up areas over many years and continue to do so. This includes community-led pest control and biodiversity projects. The support of Local Boards for such work is important.

Also important are the actions of those community groups which work to identify and protect built heritage, which is recognised by the Ōrākei Local Board in its intention to work with the Remuera Heritage Society (amongst others) to preserve heritage character in the area (page 25).

Local Board support, including funding initiatives such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, and waste minimisation projects is important for healthy ecosystems and sustainability.

Some Local Boards contain Special Ecological Areas within them and we support their work in this regard.

CTA supports the daylighting of streams to divert them from pipes back to the surface, as the Manurewa Local Board and others are planning to do, including Waitematā Local Board with the Waipapa Stream.

We support the use of electric vehicles and the installation of charging stations.

All Local Boards recognise the importance of parks and open spaces in their area and we support those that plan to acquire open space where possible, such as through large-scale developments, and to improve existing parks space through land exchanges, reconfiguration and improving linkages and connections.

We support management plan for local parks, reserves and other open spaces. However, care may need to be taken so that an omnibus management plan does not mean that unique aspects of certain spaces are not protected. Some spaces may need their own separate management plan.

We support more tree planting throughout the city, and, in general, oppose the removal of already planted trees. This includes the removal of exotic trees from the maunga that are demonstrably valued by the people of Auckland. We submit that trees already planted be allowed to live out their natural lives and that any succession planting, where appropriate, should focus on natives.

We suggest that small local projects involving the community, particularly new migrants and/or those for whom language is a barrier, could be to beautify/make use of small areas, including on land which is awaiting development, for planting or for art installations.

## Transport

As mentioned in the Devonport-Takapuna Draft Local Board Plan (page 25), *“Local Boards have an advocacy role when it comes to many transport projects.”* All the plans address transport issues, particularly public transport, and they advocate for efficient, affordable and convenient public transport, which CTA has previously advocated for and supported.

CTA supports the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Otara-Papatoetoe Local Boards in advocating for free public transport. CTA has suggested in previous submissions that a trial of free transport be held. As pointed out by several Local Boards, transport in Auckland accounts for nearly half of the city's greenhouse gas emissions. Some Local Boards also mention car-dependency and congestion.

We also support safer speeds, especially around schools, traffic calming, road safety and pedestrian and cyclist priority, including cycleways and greenways to encourage healthy activity and less care use, as is advocated for by most, if not all, Local Boards. We caution that when considering implementation of the relevant infrastructure, including bicycle parking, there should be full consultation with affected people, primarily being the residents and/or businesses in the area under consideration. Streetscape character should not be compromised. We suggest that there is already sufficient infrastructure in place for bicycle parking, partly because some Local Board areas have already provided specific bicycle parking and partly because most cyclists like the ability to park very close to where they are going and are happy to use a pole, fence or tree to chain their bike to, and in our experience, this is workable for everyone (in contrast to e-scooter parking). We consider that the negative effect of placing any transport infrastructure in the public realm needs to be recognised and minimised.

CTA encourages Local Boards to support our advocacy to Auckland Council for a Public Transport champion. This could be a youth role and it could involve the telling of good stories about public transport. In our view, many more people would use public transport if they could see other people like themselves using it on a regular basis and get to know more about HOP cards (and the imminent introduction of the use of credit cards to pay for public transport), that public transport can accommodate the frail and disabled, and that there is, in fact, often a bus stop not too far from their house and/or place of work.

We support the Local Boards that are advocating for more bus shelters in their area. In our view, a shelter in addition to a seat at a bus stop is an essential part of the public transport infrastructure, for protection from both sun and rain. Future designs should consider the potential for the seat and the people waiting at the bus stop getting wet from driving rain, as is the case with some of the current shelters.

### **Community Engagement with Local Boards**

The Devonport-Takapuna Draft Local Board Plan under "Challenges" states: "*Low levels of participation and understanding of what local boards do, which weakens local democracy and decision making*" (page 14) and also under "Challenges" the Franklin Local Board includes: "*Limitations to understanding the board's role and mandate, and its influence in regional and national decision-making*" (page 21). The Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board will advocate for "*Auckland Council to communicate in a way that is accessible to all our community leading to a better-informed community and improved engagement with the council*" (page 15).

In our view, engagement with the community is an issue for all Local Boards, as well as the wider Council. We have observed that many members of the community still do not know much (if anything) about local boards, and a very small percentage of them actually engage with their local board. Furthermore, some people find it difficult, for various reasons, to approach their local board and/or to be listened to. We commend those Local Boards which have made their members available through regular open meetings to members of the public, especially those that are at varying times of the day to cater for the availability of different members of the community. We suggest that time could usefully be made available within Local Board workshops for members of the community dealing with certain issues to engage more thoroughly with board members and staff than is possible in public forum appearances at local board business meetings.

The Local Board plans outline what Local Boards do, who the members are and where they are based, so if people in their area read the plans, they would have a better awareness about Local Boards. If all libraries held copies of the relevant Local Board plans in their final version, this would assist in more people becoming more aware of Local Boards.

We suggest that Local Boards share with other Local Boards what has worked in terms of public engagement for them. An idea from a member of the Puketāpapa community is that Local Board members hold their clinics or engagement (where practical) “on the street,” which could mean in a park or square which is used well by the public. We note that when Local Board candidates are campaigning for election, they tend to go to where the people are, and we suggest that this could be part of the answer, rather than expecting the people to come to where they are. We know that many people do not know where their Local Board office is. If practicable, Local Board members could now and again set up tables, chairs and coffee on the footpath outside their office.

We also note that a key initiative of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board is: *“Community conversations – enabling communities we hear from less to engage more comfortably and on their terms”* (page 15), so perhaps their ideas could be shared with other Local Boards. We also see that this Local Board will *“Advocate for accessible and easy to use engagement methods that suit our residents for both local and regional consultations”* (page 16).

We encourage local board members (and future candidates) to retreat from political affiliations. In our experience, alignment with a political group creates an impediment to good governance and working effectively for the community. Community groups tend to be apolitical and their members tend to work well together. The political affiliations of Local Board members can act as a barrier to community engagement – as well as a barrier for members to engage with and cooperate with each other.

### **Albert-Eden**

We support the Carrington residential development and the way it has developed, including working with the iwi involved, and we also support the bid by the Pt Chev Social Enterprise Trust for there to be a community wellbeing hub incorporated into Building One on this site. We are disappointed that one wing of this building is to be demolished, due to the roading design.

We strongly support the Local Board’s key initiative to: *“Provide feedback on resource consents and planning processes to ensure good design outcomes are achieved and significant views of the maunga (volcanic cones) are protected through the volcanic viewshafts and height sensitive areas in the Auckland Unitary Plan”* (page 12).

CTA strongly supports the establishment of the Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre (opened on 11 August), which seems to be a shared facility between the Albert-Eden and Waitemata Local Board areas, and supports the promotion by these two Local Boards of the facility. We suggest that libraries in all Local Board areas could be a place for dropping off small items such as used batteries (battery collection being something that has taken place in Wellington libraries for some years).

CTA supports this Local Board including as one of the objectives of its plan: *“The history, identity and character of our neighborhoods are celebrated”* and that a key initiative is: *“Protect and celebrate our historic heritage by being good stewards of the assets we own and supporting others to care for theirs”* (page 29). Supporting others could be seen as both support for the people in their Local Board area as regards historic heritage that is privately owned, and supporting other Local Boards to care for historic heritage that are their assets, as well as other Local Boards supporting the protection of other historic heritage sites.

We support the Albert-Eden Local Board for the following (page 31):

- *“Renewal funding for seismic upgrades for heritage assets*



- *Support the Tūpuna Maunga Authority in their aspiration to have the maunga recognised as UNESCO World Heritage site*
- *The Auckland Unitary Plan reflects the importance of built and natural heritage and the contribution that heritage makes to the identity, history and story of Tāmaki Makaurau and its people”.*

We endorse this Local Board’s plan to carry out an audit of the parks in their area to identify where they can get better use, to activate them more and to see if there is the right mix of uses for the future.

A photo of Rocket Park in Mount Albert is featured in the Albert-Eden Draft Local Board Plan. This park no longer functions as it was intended. It was originally a park where children with disabilities could use special equipment such as a Liberty Swing for wheelchairs. We understand that the swing is no longer there, and we submit that it be reinstated, along with the other original equipment for this special park.

We support the Local Board’s intention to *“Encourage green business practices and share information on existing resources such as Sustainable Business Network and Climate Connect Aotearoa”* (page 35).

### **Aotea-Great-Barrier**

This Local Board’s plan states that *“Our community is also incredibly conscious of remote living and the carbon impacts of freighting supplies to the island”* (page 11). The island is very different from the mostly urban areas of Auckland and has some different issues to deal with, which perhaps the rest of the city does not recognise.

CTA supports this Local Board’s intention to *“advocate to the Governing Body for continued staff support to investigate a visitor levy to respond to the impacts of tourism”* (page 14), like the levy that has been introduced to Rakiura / Stewart Island.

The Aotea-Great-Barrier Local Board has been progressing solar power upgrades of council and community buildings and electric chargers, as have several other Local Boards, and we encourage more area to do this, and for Local Boards to learn from each other in this regard.

Another aspect that perhaps other areas could learn from is the island’s *“bespoke approach to education through our Lifelong Learning Strategy, especially for our tamariki and rangatahi with a new early childhood education centre and established Aotea Learning Hub”* (page 13).

We congratulate the island on being designated as an International Dark Sky Sanctuary.

An aspect of the island that needs recognition by Auckland Council is that *“Climate change has led to warmer waters and the arrival of exotic marine pests such as Caulerpa, Asian Paddle Crab, Sea Squirt and Mediterranean Fan worm”* (page 16). We support the Local Board’s call for tighter protections for their coastal waters.

We congratulate this Local Board on its innovative low carbon initiatives, such as Anamata’s Resource Recovery Centre and AoteaOra Trust’s Off the Grid events (page 16) and agree that these should be showcased globally and there should be trials of new sustainable systems. The landfill on the island has closed, which presents a different situation than all other Auckland communities.

We support this Local Board in advocating to central government and the Governing Body to encourage manufacturers to commit to product sustainability (page 17) and encourage other Local Boards to do the same.

We also support this Local Board to:

- *“Advocate to central government and the Governing Body to abolish bottom trawling and dredging in the Hauraki Gulf and to encourage sustainable fishing as directed through Sea Change - Tai Timu Tai Pari*
- *Advocate to central government and the Governing Body for the prohibition of marine dumping” (page 17).*

Aotea-Great-Barrier does not have any public transport and we support the Local Board’s key initiative to *“Investigate a community-led public transport system” (page 19).*

We also support them to advocate to technology providers for stronger connectivity options (page 20).

### **Devonport-Takapuna**

We support collaboration between Local Boards on many matters and so are pleased to see that this Local Board is collaborating 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” (page 11).*

This Local Board (and many others) is supportive of the work of environmental groups and environmental education. Amongst other environmental initiatives, we support their aim to *“Prioritise funding and support zero waste initiatives that promote a circular economy”* and the *“focus on native and ecologically appropriate planting and the principle of having the right tree in the right place” (page 12).* Regarding the trees, we would caution that the wrong tree in the wrong place (in any Local Board area) does not necessarily get removed but that it is allowed to live out its natural life, or there is consideration given to transplanting the tree. We understand that there is modern machinery that enables the transplanting of large trees. Perhaps Local Boards, including this one, could advocate to the Governing Body and/or central government for investment in one of these machines.

We see that this Local Board’s intention of *“Working with our neighbouring local boards on joint environmental initiatives to increase the impacts” (page 18)* is something that all Local Boards could do – and we know that many of them are.

We are pleased to see amongst the objectives in this Local Board’s draft plan: *“Natural and built heritage are conserved and both colonial and Māori history and significant places are valued, promoted, and celebrated” (page 19).*

We support this Local Board to *“Advocate to the Governing Body for additional funding to renew our heritage asset portfolio and enable greater protection for our heritage assets” (page 20).*

We also support this initiative (and other similar ones of other Local Boards): *“Utilisation of regional funding to retrofit assets and upgrade them with solar energy saving measures” (page 22).*

On page 25 it is stated that there is: *“Limited capacity for bikes on ferries, zero capacity for bikes on buses, and the absence of infrastructure for active travel modes on the harbour bridge is a constraint on reductions to transport emissions.”* We note that there is not quite zero capacity for bikes on buses, as fold-up bikes can be taken on buses: *“For safety of the passengers on board of buses only compact folding bikes and scooters are permitted on board, and must be folded down before boarding ([at.govt.nz](http://at.govt.nz)).”*

We would encourage the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to advocate for bike racks on buses that go across the Auckland Harbour Bridge.

## Franklin

We support this Local Board's initiative to *"Identify opportunities to reduce Franklin's mowing footprint by replacing lawn with trees"* (page 15) and the other Local Boards that have this same initiative.

We support their advocacy for *"Provision of fit for purpose public transport services that enable underserved communities to access Auckland's public and active transport networks and community service hubs, e.g. through 'AT Local' services or new bus routes"* (page 19).

Franklin, being a rural community, includes in its draft plan, which does need to be recognised by other areas: *"Auckland climate action is focussed on reducing carbon largely by reducing the use of private vehicles but does not constructively support rural residents and farmers in taking action, such as emission reduction"* (page 25).

We support this key initiative: *"Advocate for investment from Auckland Transport and central government in local initiatives that encourage and incentivise modal shift (from private vehicles to active or public transport) or shorten the commute for those reliant on private vehicles (by improving access to public transport)"* (page 26).

We support the following (pages 26 & 33):

- *"Require all public space projects in urban/future urban areas to actively contribute to increases in tree canopy cover and more green infrastructure."*
- *"Advocate for a change of policy and process so that new developments deliver 'urban lungs' i.e. areas to be planted with semimature trees to improve air quality, to lower surface temperatures and to absorb and filter rainfall."*
- *"Increased ferry capacity at Pine Harbour, Beachlands, to address local population growth, acknowledge east Auckland congestion issues and offer off-road commuter options."*

## Henderson-Massey

We support this Local Board in the following:

- *"Working with Waitākere Ranges and Whau local boards to take a 'west Auckland' approach to strengthen our capacity"* (page 14)
- *"Continue to prioritise parks and play spaces that are inclusive, accessible to all, and support whānau-focused gatherings and activities"* (page 20)
- *"Progress opportunities for neighbourhood path connections, guided by the Connections Plan"*
- *Prioritise transport projects that improve safety and health and contribute to climate action and social outcomes"*
- *Support initiatives that help remove barriers to cycling e.g. access to a safe affordable bike and learn to ride programmes"* (page 22).

## Hibiscus and Bays

On page 12 of this Local Board's plan, their Climate Plan actions are well detailed.

CTA supports this key initiative: *"Take a more proactive approach to ensuring that the different voices in our community are heard to inform our local board decision-making"* (page 16).

We particularly like the way this Local Board has articulated its appreciation for local volunteers: *"Our committed and skilled environmental groups we support have long established histories and have been award winners for their professionalism and work"* (page 19).

This challenge is one that other Local Boards may also face: *"There is increasing demand for council services to be available online, and 24/7 whilst recognising that at other times residents are more comfortable with a face-to-face service provision, all within budget constraints, which will require better integration of locally delivered services with regionally provided online services"* (page 22.)

We are pleased to see this opportunity expressed: *"The rapid increase in residents working from home reduces congestion and adds value to the local economy by keeping commuter spending local"* (page 25).

CTA supports the following: *"Advocate to Auckland Transport to better accommodate the integration of public transport vehicles, major bus stop and park and rides, with micro mobility and bicycles, to enable people to use these modes to connect with their public transport journey"* (page 26).

We would encourage this Local Board to also advocate to Auckland Transport for bike racks on buses.

## Howick

This Local Board has a strong focus on youth, as do many of the others.

We note the following key initiative: *"Support the Tūpuna Maunga Authority to protect and enhance Ōhūiarangi / Pigeon Mountain"* (page 20). We do support protecting the maunga but we do not support the removal of trees from any of the maunga in Auckland. It is our position that particular trees that are not wanted on the maunga should live out their natural lives and that replacement planting of other species can be planned for.

We support this Local Board in its intention to advocate to local schools to *"make sustainability, environmental responsibility and waste management part of school values"* (page 20). These values, across Auckland schools should, through school students, extend into the community and become embedded in future generations.

We support this key Initiative (which is shared by other Local Boards): *"Promote healthy living and sustainable lifestyles by supporting community-led initiatives, such as vegetable gardens, and by encouraging and educating the wider community of the benefits of growing your own food"* (page 22).

We support this special initiative and are of the view that it would have region-wide use: *"Establish a sensory playspace that contains areas and equipment that provides stimulation of the senses for children with visual impairment or developmental disorder"* (page 22).

CTA supports this advocacy to Auckland Transport, which could be replicated in other Local Board areas, where appropriate, for:

- “feeder bus services or other innovative on demand services that will enable the community to access the existing bus / ferry networks
- more bus services to serve all areas of the local board
- provision of more ferry and train services” (page 26).

The following is important for all Local Boards: *“Advocate to the Governing Body to: ensure adequate infrastructure is in place before approving housing intensification”* (page 26).

We support the following key initiative: *“Continue to provide operational funding support for the Howick Historic Village”* (page 28).

We support the protection of historic landscapes and in this regard, support efforts to protect in the Unitary Plan the views from Stockade Hill.

### **Kaipātiki**

As with other Local Boards, this one is looking at solar energy, and we support their particular initiatives to: *“Investigate installing solar on facilities with significant solar potential, including: Birkenhead Pool and Leisure Centre, Kaipātiki Local Board Office, Glenfield Pool and Leisure Centre”* (page 14).

We feel that the following key initiative could be adopted by all Local Boards: *“Seek feedback from our student and children’s panels to inform our decisions with a child-lens”* (page 17).

CTA supports the Kaipātiki Local Board’s advocacy to the Governing Body:

- *“to protect and celebrate our built and cultural heritage”* (page 18), and
- *“for the ability for local boards to have direct decision-making authority to make temporary changes to dog access rules to mitigate environmental or social problems, and request the opportunity to be included in the next round of dog access revision hearings Governing Body”* (page 23).

We also support this Local Board advocating to central government:

- *“to reinstate legislation that provides general tree protection”* (page 23), and
- *“for urban planning legislation to adequately protect special ecological areas Central Government”* (page 23).

We see that the challenge expressed by this Local Board that *“An increased number of schools are restricting public access to their grounds outside of school hours which is impacting informal community recreation opportunities”* (page 25) could provide the opportunity to talk to other Local Board about this problem and possible solutions.

We support the following key initiatives, which could be the same for all Local Boards:

- *“Consider climate impact when developing places and spaces, to reduce or avoid emissions and adapt to climate change, including avoiding areas or activities that are vulnerable to climate risks such as drought, extreme rainfall, coastal flooding, and heat*
- *Prioritise investment in assets that are well positioned, multi-purpose, and with good transport links, to reduce its carbon footprint”* (page 27).

We also consider that all Local Boards would similarly advocate for and support the following:

- *“the development of a quality compact, urban form that supports low carbon, resilient development, while ensuring adequate infrastructure to support it*
- *the uptake of sustainable design and construction that will be resilient to the impacts of climate change, including council projects, and encourage residents and businesses to use eco-design and water sensitive design practices” (page 28).*

We think that all Local Boards would want this for their area: *“Advocate for increased resource for compliance enforcement teams so they can respond to all requests and complaints received in the Kaipātiki area” (page 28).*

We support cheaper fares, more frequent ferries, and more buses going to more destinations, more directly (page 29). We view the harbour as an underutilised resource which does not need the sort of maintenance that roads and rail do. We also support electric buses and ferries for Kaipātiki (page 32).

This matter seems to need to become more widely known within Auckland Council: *“Advocate for policy and funding changes to reduce the use of the ‘chip seal’ road resealing method on suburban roads” (page 32).*

We find it useful to have this pointed out: *“Increase in working from home means more of our people are based locally during working hours which can help ease congestions at peak times, enable access to skilled work without the need to travel as frequently, and help increase spending in our town centres” (page 35).*

### **Māngere-Ōtāhuhu**

This Local Board sees as an opportunity, which we think other Local Boards could embrace as well: *“Identify areas where community groups are better placed to deliver services and projects that are currently delivered by council” (page 14).*

CTA supports the **Māngere-Ōtāhuhu** Local Board to:

- *“Revive the Māngere Gateway Heritage plan to enhance Stonefields and promote and regain heritage values (page 17).*
- *Partner with mana whenua to protect significant historical sites and waterways that host an abundance of native plants and animals*
- *Work with Kāinga Ora to encourage tree planting in their housing developments” (page 18).*

CTA supports the entire advocacy list of this Local Board, on page 18 of their draft plan, which focuses on protecting and enhancing their natural environment, including active management of high-value biodiversity features in their area, and achieving zero waste and zero dumping.

### **Manurewa**

The Manurewa Local Board highlights the lack of equitable funding for their area over the last 13 years, and we support them in their advocacy to the Governing Body to confirm its commitment to achieving funding equity for local boards, and to *“Look at ways to achieve funding equity for the most underfunded boards in the shortest timeframe possible with a priority focus on Manurewa, then other southern local boards” (page 23).*

As with some other Local Boards, the lack of decent public transport options is noted. We support their advocacy to increase the frequency, connectivity, and capacity of public transport

services in their area (page 15), and, as with all Local Boards, suggest that car pooling is another option that could be promoted and supported by them.

This Local Board (as with all others) intends to enhance the urban ngahere. They point out that *“there is only so much that can be done on council-owned land.”* We support their call for legislative measures that *“could include adding protection and enhancement of urban ngahere to environmental targets and making it easier for local authorities to protect trees on private land”* (page 16).

We support this Local Board (and the others which have this initiative) in the installation of more solar panels across their community facilities in partnership with power companies. The Manurewa Local Board will encourage households to do this too (page 18), and other Local Boards could encourage the households in their areas to do likewise.

CTA supports this Local Board to *“Advocate to Auckland Transport to increase the frequency and capacity of trains and buses to and from Manurewa and Clendon town centres, linking more of our communities to public transport hubs”* (page 18).

We note the establishment of the Manurewa Community Recycling Centre at the Beautification Trust and their support of the pop-up Repair Cafes operating at the Trust and at Nathan Homestead. We support them to *“continue to advocate for a southern resource recovery park as part of the Auckland Resource Recovery Network”* (page 25).

We are pleased to note under Opportunities: *“increase awareness of the notable tree schedule to protect more of our trees”* and *“using nature-based solutions for flood management”* (page 26), and we support the key initiative to *“Replace every tree removed from the streetscape due to damage, storms and accidents within one year”* (page 27). This practical and clear action could be adopted by other Local Boards.

We also support the following: *“Promote the integration of natural ecosystems into the existing built form, which may include the construction of raingardens, living roofs and swales, mass tree planting, remediation of existing or contaminated soils, rehabilitation of watercourses and wetlands, and opening up buried watercourses and restoring them to more natural conditions (stream daylighting)”* (page 27).

### **Maungakiekie-Tāmaki**

We liked to see the use of different languages in this Local Board’s draft plan in addition to English and te reo.

CTA supports the following advocacy to the Governing Body of the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- *“to ensure appropriate mechanisms are implemented to limit development where infrastructure cannot support increased pressure from planned growth”* (page 21)
- *“for appropriate staffing resources to enable quality advice for good decision-making, particularly planning, to utilise increased local board decision-making and ensure local services are cost effective and fit-for-purpose”* (page 29)
- *“to increase the regional demolition fund. To maximise the use of our open spaces and oversubscribed maintenance budgets, local boards can look to reduce underutilised and aged buildings on reserves. Regional support will help local boards to realise these strategic long-term opportunities”* (page 29).

Regarding the last one, we caution that these buildings first need to be accessed, especially for heritage and community values.

## Ōrākei

This Local Board's intention to use methods such as digital signage, e-newsletters and social media as a way to improve communication with the community could be considered by other Local Boards.

We support the idea to *“Advocate to businesses and philanthropic organisations to seek funding partnerships for community services”* (page 14), which perhaps other Local Boards could also adopt.

We are pleased to see the inclusion in the draft plan of *“Delivering the Pourewa Valley Integrated Management Plan will support the restoration of this significant urban forest”* (page 16).

We strongly support the following (the second of which is also advocated for by other Local Boards):

- *“Continue funding for the Eastern Bays Songbird Project in their valuable work creating and maintaining a sanctuary for wildlife in the Eastern Bays area”* (page 17)
- *“Advocate for a sponge-city approach which promotes water-sensitive design and enables bluegreen networks to manage flooding”* (page 18).

The Ōrākei Local Board states that *“Seismic restoration of Remuera library is undertaken”* (page 23) and we strongly support the restoration of what is not only a heritage building but a community asset.

The Ōrākei Local Board states in its draft plan that theirs is *“an area rich in history. We can use our wonderful built heritage and local history to engender pride in our area and to help protect this valuable heritage”* (page 25). We appreciate the Local Board's acknowledgement of their built heritage and also of the Remuera Heritage Society (page 25).

We support the Local Board advocating to the Tūpuna Maunga Authority to *“protect the War Memorial Seat and daffodil commemorative garden, and for effective pest control on Ōhinerau / Mt Hobson”* (page 27).

CTA also supports the Local Board advocating to the Governing Body, central government and developers *“to ensure the unique character and heritage of our area is retained as development occurs”* and we support the Local Board *“monitoring and assessing proposed legislation that may increase intensification that may have an effect on our infrastructure and character”* (page 27).

## Otara-Papatoetoe

This Local Board articulates (as many other Local Boards do, and with which CTA agrees) that it should be the local people who decide what the priorities in their area are: *“Your input on what we need to prioritise for the next three years will help us greatly with this challenge”* (page 3).

Regarding the Local Boards intention to *“Develop a multi-park management plan that manage the use, development and protection of all parks, reserves and open spaces in the area”* (page 21) we would say that the different types and characters of parks need to be considered when developing such a plan or plans.

On page 3 it is stated that *“Public transport hubs and facilities including Manukau Bus and Train Stations, Puhinui Station Interchange, and the Southern Line train provide opportunities for connectivity and public transport use for both residents and visitors”* and the Puhinui Station to attract visitors to the area is a key initiative. As CTA detailed in our submission on [Auckland Council's Future Development Strategy](#):



“This station is an important part of the city’s infrastructure. As Puhinui Station connects to the wider public transport network, you can travel to and from Auckland Airport from anywhere in the city. The bus operates every 10 minutes from 4.30am to 12.40am, 7 days a week and there is a train from Puhinui Station to Britomart every 15 minutes. However, this AirportLink service is not clearly signposted at the airport and we understand that it is used very little. The facility to use public transport without needing a HOP card, as planned within the next 12 months, should help in this regard, but the AirportLink service needs more publicity. For example, the staff at the airport who monitor cars that arrive at the domestic terminal to pick up incoming passengers could hand drivers brochures that describe this service, so people can use it next time.”

We would encourage this Local Board to advocate to AT to publicise this important part of the public transport network.

### **Papakura**

We support this Local Board to: *“Continue work on a heritage trail featuring sites of significance in Māori and European local history, acknowledging Ngāti Tamaoho’s cultural indicators along the southern path overlooking the Manukau Harbour”* (page 8) and we support their aim to highlight and celebrate the area’s history and heritage.

We are pleased that the Manurewa Community Recycling centre is in place and that the Papakura Local Board describes the circular economy that will *“reduce costs and reduce carbon footprint”* (page 11).

We support this Local Board’s advocacy in the following areas of public transport (pages 29 & 30):

- *“Developing AT Local (on demand shared public transport service) in parts of Papakura Local Board area to increase public transport use.*
- *Great South Road –moving the cycle lane to an off-road shared pathway and converting the existing cycle and parking lanes into a combined T2 bus lane.*
- *Increased operating hours of southern train and public transport connections to airport and other employment nodes.*
- *Extending public transport routes to Ardmore and Bruce Pulman Park.”*

We also support the advocacy for *“an increase in the standard street width requirement in new developments”* and *“developers /body corporates to cover ongoing maintenance of green space and enhanced tree canopy in new developments”* (page 30).

### **Puketāpapa**

We congratulate the Puketāpapa Local Board for developing their [‘Becoming a Low Carbon Community’ Action Plan](#) action prior to Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland Climate Plan. We would like to see the “local climate champions” mentioned in this plan become more visible and for other Local Boards to adopt this idea.

We support the Local Board’s aim to *“Use existing community hubs, such as the library, to increase community understanding of climate change and promote local climate action initiatives”* (page 16). Schools and libraries are an excellent resource for educating the wider public on climate change.

## Rodney

This Local Board states that its residents *“often feel marginalised from Auckland Central and generally do not feel heard by decision makers”* (page 14). We are not sure how the Local Board will address this, but making other Local Boards aware of it should help.

CTA supports the following advocacy by this Local Board to the Governing Body:

- *“for Kawau Island to become pest free, with the support of the community, iwi, the Department of Conservation and stakeholders”* (page 20)
- *“for more investment in regional parks in our local board area and resourcing for service provision, such as with service centres, to meet the pressures of population growth and tourism”* (page 24).

The draft plan states that *“Our large geographical area and low population makes providing public transport difficult”* (page 30). We suggest that with the good community connections described in the draft plan, where *“people look out for each other and feel supported”* (page 3) that carpooling would be a good option that could be promoted and supported.

CTA supports the following advocacy to Auckland Transport:

- *“for the use of the existing rail network to be used for commuter transport to service the North West.”*
- *“for further improvements and the expansion of Rodney bus services particularly in new development areas including park-and-rides, dedicated bus ways, additional routes and stops, weekend services on busier routes, higher frequency on busy routes and greater safety for bus drivers”* (page 31).

## Upper Harbour

We support the Upper Harbour Local Board to *“Advocate for accessible, multi-lingual, and easy-to-use engagement methods that enable our diverse residents to participate in both local and regional consultations and engagement processes”* (page 14).

We appreciate that this Local Board has articulated (under Challenges): *“Cost implications of restoration and conservation of our natural environment balanced against the cost of doing nothing”* (page 16) and the huge risks that climate change poses to the environment and people, also the negative impacts of intensification and population growth. In our recent submission on Auckland Council’s Future Development Strategy, we cautioned against too much growth too fast, and that it is preferable to stage intensification, and certainly not to do so in areas that were exposed to potential hazards.

We agree that *“Reducing carbon emissions as individuals can be difficult”* and that *“Communities need support and opportunities to make changes and live more sustainably”* (page 16). We are of the view that Local Boards are making positive differences as regards education about climate change and they can learn from each other’s problems and initiatives, and support each other.

## Waiheke

Waiheke is an island sanctuary in the Gulf, as articulated in this Local Board’s draft plan on pg 3.

We commend this Local Board for *adopting “even bolder climate goals through its Waiheke Local Climate Action Plan which includes the aim of achieving a net positive carbon footprint by 2040”* (page 11). This could be a model for other Local Boards.

We recognise this key initiative as important: *“Complete a feasibility study into the equity of year-round access to adequate potable water supply for Waiheke Island residents”* (page 13).

We support this opportunity: *“Waiheke becoming a predator free island”* (page 16) and see the importance of public messaging and the work of predator-free groups.

We support the creation of wildlife corridors (including new and restored wetlands), kauri sanctuaries and seabird and shorebird breeding colonies across the islands, as well as stream restoration projects and academic and citizen science programmes to help understand and support the health of the aquatic environment (pp 16 – 17).

CTA strongly supports advocacy for *“an end to bottom contact fishing such as dredging, bottom trawling and Danish seining”* (page 18).

We also support advocacy to Auckland Transport for a designated Harbourmaster on Waiheke to be sufficiently empowered to address the increasing numbers of abandoned or derelict boats degrading the island’s marine environment.

CTA also supports this Local Board’s key initiative to *“Implement the Waiheke Be Accessible Plan as resources become available to ensure facilities are accessible to all”* (page 21).

### **Waitākere Ranges**

The people of this Local Board area (as with others in the outer areas) often travel long distances to access work and education opportunities. We see that park and ride is an important way of connecting to public transport services (page 12) and that there is anticipation of the benefits that the City Rail Link will bring, as it will mean a 30-minute trip to get into the city.

We support this Local Board’s advocacy in *“Trialling a rural bus service to give our residents and visitors access to public transport”* (page 29).

We support the Local Board also advocating for improved access to broadband and mobile phone services (page 12).

The Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area is a place of national significance which is appreciated by many throughout Auckland, for whom it is a favourite place to visit. There are at least 27 volunteer environmental groups active in the area, recognised in the draft plan. We support the Waitākere Ranges Local Board in its focus on protecting, restoring and enhancing this special area, including making the area a dark sky viewing location (page 15).

CTA supports this key initiative and would like to see it adopted by other Local Boards: *“Ensure universal design for accessibility is embedded into all park development projects to enable everyone to access their local parks”* (page 25).

We also strongly support the following: *“Provide input into council plans, policies and project design, as well as the resource consent decisions relating to heritage”* (page 29).

### **Waitematā**

We support the Waitematā Local Board to *“Promote Waiōrea Community Recycling Centre, local waste minimisation and resource recovery initiatives”* (page 14), and we encourage this Local Board to do this in collaboration with the Albert-Eden Local Board.

We support this key initiative *“Local composting and community gardens network”* (page 14) and would like this Local Board to revisit the application of OMG (Organic Market Garden) to establish a community garden in the Bowen Ave part of Albert Park which has not yet gone ahead, having not received the support it needed.

Under “Our People,” the statement *“We celebrate our diversity and heritage and encourage equitable access to social, economic, environmental and cultural opportunities”* is inspiring (page 16).

We appreciate the following being articulated in the plan: *“We recognise the importance of treasuring and protecting our green spaces, heritage parks and trees”* (page 27).

Under Opportunities: *“Greater value for money through a partnership model which could leverage funding from other sources outside of Auckland Council”* (page 18) is something that other Local Boards could also consider.

We are pleased to see that the problem of air pollution and pollution from shipping is noted (page 21). Pollution as such is not articulated in other Local Board plans. We are also concerned at the proliferation of visual clutter, particularly in terms of lighting, signage and some unnecessary street furniture.

We support the following and consider that other Local Boards could adopt the same: *“Encourage, exemplify and promote the installation of ‘living’ green walls, rooftops, and assets in public buildings and private developments such as the Central City Library living roof, to improve air quality, green space, and biodiversity outcomes in urban environments”* (page 24).

We support the following, and again, encourage other Local Boards to do the same: *“Continue to reduce the use of agrichemicals in our parks and open spaces and advocate for agrichemical spraying to be phased out regionally”* (page 24).

We strongly support this advocacy: *“Auckland Council to advocate for changes to legislation and regulations to enable councils to introduce planning controls on how urban trees are assessed and protected. Auckland Council to simplify and better resource processes for identifying and protecting mature trees”* (page 25).

We encourage the Local Board to consider, when developing concept plans (e.g., Basque Park, Heard Park, 254 Ponsonby Road and Wynyard Point) (page 27) not only the views of the local community and others who will access these spaces but also whether any “revitalisation” works planned are necessary. CTA has previously submitted that Heard Park does not need a makeover, and that the money be better spent elsewhere. Indeed, a couple of paragraphs down (on page 27) in the draft plan it is stated, *“The cost of maintaining our assets and facilities is no longer affordable.”*

CTA strongly supports the key initiative to: *“Deliver seismic strengthening, restoration and modernisation of Leys Institute Library and Gymnasium to preserve as a heritage taonga for future generations”* (page 28).

Regarding the development of a Local Parks Management Plan (page 28), we caution that not all local parks are the same, and their diversity and special circumstances should be catered for.

We support this key initiative: *“Acknowledge the importance of Te Hā (pōhutukawa) and the whenua that sustains it and investigate opportunities to increase the status and protection of Dove Myer Robinson Park including the possible inclusion in the heritage schedules of the Auckland Unitary Plan”* (page 29).

Under “Our Places,” the Local Board states: *“The government’s proposed legislative changes in resource management and urban development enable more intensive development in the city centre and around our neighbourhoods. This creates a challenge to ensure our neighbourhood character and heritage is conserved within our urban landscapes. We will support quality design in new developments that embraces existing heritage to create the heritage of the future”* (page 32). CTA strongly endorses this statement, and also the following one: *“We want to increase understanding, protection and conservation of city centre heritage places, landscapes and*

stories. Our city centre should actively recognise and celebrate Auckland’s historic heritage as a driver of positive change and placemaking” (page 33) and “Valued elements of heritage and special character in the local board area should be recognised formally and informally to assist with its protection and incorporation in the development of our urban landscapes” (page 34).

We support the following key initiatives (page 36):

*“Provide feedback on resource consents and planning processes to ensure heritage sites and Special Character Areas are protected*

- *Ensure our heritage assets are restored such as Ewelme Cottage and Symonds Street Cemetery monuments*
- *Seek opportunities to promote and celebrate heritage places in Waitemātā including making digital content and place-based stories more accessible*
- *Reflect Māori heritage and whakapapa in our public spaces and facilities incorporating Māori design principles and artwork.”*

We also support this Local Board’s advocacy to the Governing Body as follows (page 37):

- *Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate adequate funds to restore and preserve its heritage buildings, including incorporating seismic strengthening where necessary, to ensure their ongoing usage.*
- *Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate adequate funds to continue identification and formal protection of heritage and character elements of the Waitemātā environment.*
- *Advocate to the Governing Body to retain the council’s Heritage Acquisition Fund to assist with the protection and adaptive re-use of significant heritage buildings in the local board area.*

CTA strongly supports the following initiatives (page 44):

- *Support the preservation of significant heritage buildings such as Carlile House, the former Fitzroy Hotel and St James Theatre.*

We also strongly support advocacy to central government for incentives to encourage the retention of heritage and character elements of the built environment (page 44).

CTA submits that an important addition to the draft plan is the recognition that significant parts of the landscape need protecting, particularly the Waitemātā Harbour and volcanic cones, and other heritage landscapes.

## **Whau**

CTA supports this Local Board advocating to central government for “*Legislation to protect a greater number of significant trees*” (page 23), which other Local Boards have also included in their draft plans.

We also support their concern for sustainable building initiatives and practices (page 23).

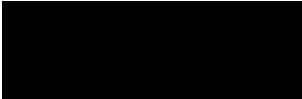
We strongly support the key initiative to: “*Ensure events and services are developed with accessibility considerations to support participation from residents with either physical or intellectual disabilities*” (page 25) and to “*Continue to prioritise and implement actions identified in the previous term to improve accessibility within key parks in the Whau, and do accessibility audits within additional parks*” (page 26).

We support the advocacy to *“Progress on the development of the Avondale-Southdown rail line to support freight movement Kiwi Rail Feedback on relevant policies and plans Central government Auckland Light Rail Group”* (page 31).

We strongly support the following initiative: *“Infrastructure and development that meets future growth, incorporates sustainable urban design principles, and is resilient to climate change, e.g. waste reduction, installation of stormwater retention tanks and permeable surfaces in housing developments”* (page 31).

Date of submission: 14 August, 2023

Signature:



Secretary, Civic Trust Auckland





## Howick Local Board Plan

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### Bike Auckland

**Local Board:** Howick

### Your feedback

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**Tell us why**

2. **Our people: supporting people in our diverse communities**

Health, wellbeing and safety of all our communities is a key focus for our local board plan, and we want to commit to programmes that support an involved, connected and active community, as well as protecting our heritage, and enjoying our arts and culture.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**

**3. Our environment: protecting our natural environment**

Climate change is having an increasing impact on the environment and on our daily lives. We will commit to support initiatives that will help improve our natural environment. It is important to maintain healthy, functioning ecosystems throughout the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, as well as the Tamaki Estuary, and the need to both reduce emissions and build local resilience to respond to the changing climate. Working together with mana whenua as kaitiaki of this area will help achieve this.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this areas of focus**

**Tell us why**

**4. Our community: supporting community participation with our services and facilities**

Community participation is critical for the Howick Local Board area. We want to provide places for healthy, active lifestyles to suit our diverse communities in building on our network of parks and open spaces, however we must face the reality of budget restrictions. We need to look at options to improve efficiency and potentially reduce our asset portfolio over time by changing the way we deliver some services or combining service delivery together, to avoid the need to maintain multiple, expensive buildings.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

Howick Local Board is committed to fostering partnerships with local town centres to enhance the vibrancy of the area and support local businesses. The board also acknowledges the importance of a well-connected transport network, and will fully capitalise on the opportunities that the Eastern Busway project brings, including walking cycling networks throughout the local board area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**



**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

**Tell us why**

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

- 8.** As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

See Attached.

14.08.2023

## Draft Local Board Plans 2023 Feedback

### Who is Bike Auckland?

Bike Auckland is a non-profit organisation advocating for safer streets on behalf of everyone who rides a bike in our region - and everyone who would love to give it a go. But more than that: we believe that more people on bikes makes for a better city. Call it a virtuous cycle. Cleaner air, streets with birdsong, neighbours who know each other, elderly people staying active and healthy, children playing on quiet roads. Resilient, eco-friendly multi-modal communities which have long term sustainability. We can create this liveable city by investing in walking, cycling, and public transport. Investing now will save us more money in the future and that's the future we want to live in.

Our audience and members live and work in every local board area, all across the Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland region. This feedback is on their behalf.

### Our feedback

We know our members would like to see the following in their local board plans:

- Public transport and active transport modes given priority
- Accessibility for all kinds of disabilities
- Safe streets for kids to walk and cycle to school
- Vibrant town centres with well-designed, people-oriented public spaces
- Low traffic neighbourhoods

**Note:** People, Environment, Economy, Place, Community are all interlinked focuses and all can be benefited through more transport choice; allowing them to choose to walk, cycle, other micromobility, or use public transport.

**People:** Diversity includes people who are disabled or who experience mobility difficulties. 28% of Aucklanders do not have a license, and many more do not (or cannot) drive due to illness (seizures, fatigue, anxiety), vision impairments, medication, ADD, or age. These people need the choice to safely walk, cycle and take public transport to get around. Some people find that cycling is easier, and less painful for them than walking (especially if it's an E-bike), and cycling is often recommended by physios as a way to rehabilitate after illness or injury. Providing safe ways to get around by bike creates greater accessibility for this significant portion of our population, and for everyone when they are temporarily injured and are recuperating.

**Environment:** Cars create run off into our waterways. Giving people the safe option to walk and cycle more will lead to healthier waterways.

**Community:** When people walk and cycle for their transport they make more eye contact, say hello more, and generally become more connected with their surroundings. This leads to more connected communities, greater community cohesion, greater trust in neighbours, and less loneliness and isolation. This connectedness becomes powerful during times of emergency and can make stronger communities that support each other more and have greater resilience to bounce back from disasters. Bikes can also play crucial role as resilient and versatile transport modes during disasters, especially as they are small, and do not form traffic jams the way that cars do. [More on this here.](#)

## Key initiatives

### Safe speeds

[Safe speeds](#) on residential streets, town centres, and [around schools](#). Permanent speed reductions to 30km/hr not only provide amazing safety outcomes, they are also our fastest and cheapest way of making a safe network for cycling. If our residential areas, schools, and town centres are 30km / hr it feels (and is!) much safer to walk and ride a bike, and many more people will begin to use these transport modes for their everyday local trips.

### Modal filters

Another cheap and fast improvement is use of modal filters in residential streets (such as planter boxes or bollards). Modal filters stop cars from cutting through but allow people using bikes, wheelchairs, and pushchairs to get through. Particularly for streets with a large amount of people driving through as a short-cut (rat running) modal filters can help to make the street safer, and quieter, and can also encourage locals to use their bikes and feet for short local trips.

## Protected Cycleways on main arterials

Arterial roads usually have higher traffic volumes, higher speeds, and more trucks and buses. Altogether this makes a formidable environment for riding a bike! They are also usually the most direct route to a destination! To give people greater transport choice, there needs to be protected spaces along our main arterials for people to cycle in. This can be done cheap and fast through the use of road reallocation and “pop up” materials like concrete tim tams or tall rubber. We know our members would like to see a network of safer streets sooner, and this means investing in infrastructure which is cheap and fast to roll out.

## Greenways

Include safe cycleways through parks, green spaces, and “[blue-green networks](#)”. These provide safe spaces for children and adults to learn to ride a bike and become more confident - they can also form amazing connections to schools, local shops, and public transport.

Safer speeds, modal filters, protected cycleways on arterials, and off road paths through parks all together will form an accessible, safe, efficient, and connected network safe places to ride a bike across our neighbourhoods. These would link people to schools, town centres, and public transport, making local trips by carbon friendly and active modes easier and more appealing.

We also want to see secure bike parking at train stations, transport hubs, town centres, and community facilities (eg. work with your local businesses to get a network of [Lockydocks!](#)), wayfinding to help people find their way around the existing cycleways, and support for community bike hubs and community events which include cycles

We’ve listed some specific transport projects we know our local members would love to see their local boards support. You can find them below in the list of specific local board area ideas.

## We would like local boards to advocate for Auckland Transport to:

- Align all projects and renewals with the [Transport Emissions Reduction Pathway \(TERP\)](#) and emission reduction goals
- Support the campaign to [Liberate the Lane](#) on the Auckland Harbour Bridge for walking, cycling, and wheeling
- Advocate for an [E-bike subsidy](#) to help more people replace their car trips with bikes! E-bikes are more accessible for a wider range of people
- Invest more from the financial budget towards walking and cycling. Our emissions reduction and vision zero targets demand a larger monetary allocation towards these modes
- Make streets safer by [reducing speed limits](#) to 30km/h [around schools](#), residential streets, and town centres
- Use modal filters to stop rat running and make residential streets safer and quieter
- Provide an accessible, safe, and efficient local network of pathways and cycleways throughout the region
- Advocate for a local version of Portland's Bike [Disaster Relief Trials](#) to prepare our communities and equip them to respond during emergencies
- Improve cycle and pathway safety, including lighting, physical traffic barriers, non-slip surfaces
- Improve the local public transport network and bus lane priority (bus lanes are often used by more confident cyclists)
- Support local initiatives to reduce emissions by encouraging more use of public transport (eg. secure bike parking at transport hubs, safe cycleways connecting to public transport hubs)

## Ideas for specific local board areas:

*In alphabetical order...*

### Albert-Eden Local Board

- Advocate for delivery of the [New North road and Symonds street upgrade](#)
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection along St Luke's road
- Support having a [community bike hub](#) in or near the Mt Eden area

- Ensure the [Pt Chevalier to Westmere Improvements](#) is delivered

## **Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board**

- Advocate for safe cycle connections from trails to airports and ferry terminals

## **Devonport-Takapuna Local Board**

- Support the campaign to [Liberate the Lane](#) on the Auckland Harbour Bridge for walking, cycling, and wheeling
- Support safer speeds, cycle improvements, and raised pedestrian crossings in [Devonport Village](#)
- Support a protected cycleway along Bayswater Avenue (especially so the kids can safely cycle to school)
- Support a protected cycleway along Lake road to connect Devonport safely to Takapuna!

## **Franklin Local Board**

- Support local trail connections throughout the area
- Advocate for, and support, a safer Pukekohe town centre

## **Henderson-Massey Local Board**

- Support protected cycleways through the Henderson town centre
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from the Henderson town centre to the North Western pathway
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from Te Atatū town centre to the North Western pathway
- Advocate for improvements for Twin Streams paths ([Opanuku](#) and [Oratia](#)) – especially where they have been damaged by recent weather

## Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from Whangaparāoa town centre to Shakespeare Regional Park
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from Torbay and Browns Bay to the [Northern Corridor](#)

## Howick Local Board

- Support the safe cycleway which is part of the extension of the Eastern Busway project
- Advocate for safe cycleway connections to the Eastern Busway and the cycleway beside it

## Kaipātiki Local Board

- Support a safe cycle connection from Upper Harbour Drive to Albany Highway
- Support extension of the [Albany Highway](#) cycleway to connect South to the Glenfield road cycleway as was planned a long time ago!
- Advocate and support the continuation of the [Northern Pathway](#) to Westhaven
- Advocate for safe cycle connections to the Northern Pathway
- Support the campaign to [Liberate the Lane](#) on the Auckland Harbour Bridge for walking, cycling, and wheeling

## Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

- Advocate for the [Waikaraka Cycleway](#) to connect all the way around Manukau Harbour to [Norana Esplanade](#) for greater transport choice (especially for people who live or work in Ōtāhuhu) and for a beautiful scenic ride
- Advocate to make the slippery paths in Norana Esplanade safer for people using bikes!
- Support a safe cycleway connection from Māngere Town Centre and the Airport all the way to Nga Hau Māngere Bridge (connecting schools along the way!)
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from Ōtāhuhu to Sylvia Park

## Manurewa Local Board

- Pop up cycleways, such as using concrete tim tams to make a protected on road cycleway, are a fast and cheap way of creating a safe cycle network. Let this board know whether or not you support pop up cycleways for this area
- Support a safe, protected cycleway along Mahia and Roscommon roads
- Support and deliver a [walking and cycling bridge](#) over Papakura stream to connect Wattle Downs and Waiata Shores
- Advocate for an extension of the Southern Corridor further North to connect to the CBD (eg. along Great South road)

## Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

- Advocate for the [Waikaraka Cycleway](#) to connect all the way around Manukau Harbour to [Norana Esplanade](#) for greater transport choice (especially for people who live or work in Ōtāhuhu) and for a beautiful scenic ride
- Advocate for safe cycle connections from the existing surrounding cycleways through Mt Wellington (eg. Waikaraka Cycleway, Eastern Busway cycleway in Panmure)
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection from Panmure through to the Glen Innes shared path (from which you can ride safely all the way to the CBD!)
- Advocate for a safe cycle network [through Onehunga](#) and connecting to Royal Oak roundabout
- Advocate to make [Royal Oak roundabout safer](#) for everyone (there are some glaring gaps in safety for people riding bikes!)

## Ōrākei Local Board

- Advocate for and deliver the Gowing Drive connection to Te Ara ki Uta ki Tai, the Glen Innes to Tāmaki shared path
- Support the completion of [Stage 4 of Te Ara ki Uta ki Tai](#)
- Advocate for a space for local mountain bike tracks and skills equipment
- Advocate to make the slippery boardwalks safer for people using bikes!



## Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

- Support delivery of a local bike park
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## Papakura Local Board

- Pop up cycleways, such as using concrete tim tams to make a protected on road cycleway, are a fast and cheap way of creating a safe cycle network. Let this board know whether or not you support pop up cycleways for this area
- Advocate for safe cycle connections to the Southern Corridor

## Puketāpapa Local Board

- Continue to support safe cycle connections throughout the area

## Rodney Local Board

- Support a safe cycle connection from the NorthWestern shared path through to the Kumeū town centre

## Upper Harbour Local Board

- Advocate for a safe cycleway along [Oteha Valley Road](#)
- Advocate and support the continuation of the [Northern Pathway](#) to Westhaven
- Advocate for safe cycle connections to the Northern Pathway
- Support extension of the [Albany Highway](#) cycleway southwards to connect to the Glenfield road cycleway as was planned a long time ago!
- Support the campaign to [Liberate the Lane](#) on the Auckland Harbour Bridge for walking, cycling, and wheeling

## Waiheke Local Board

- Advocate for safe, protected cycleways throughout the island!

## Waitākere Ranges Local Board

- Support safe cycle connections to public transport hubs
- Support safe cycle connections through Glen Eden and to the Waikumete stream
- Advocate for a safe cycle connection through to Kelston and New Lynn
- Investigate potential for cycle trails through the Waitākere area

## Waitematā Local Board

- Continue to support and implement the [City Centre Masterplan](#)
- Connect [Te Hā Noa](#) up to the rest of the Victoria Street cycleway; under current plans there will be a sad gap of a couple of blocks between them!
- Make sure [the Strand](#) has a safe connection for bikes to cross the bridge over the railway (to Tāmaki Drive / Quay st)
- Support safe walking and cycling connections around the [Karanga-a-hape station](#) and to the rest of the cycleway network
- Ensure the delivery of the [Great North road street improvement project](#)
- Support the [Waitematā Safer Routes](#) to get funded and delivered
- Support the campaign to [Liberate the Lane](#) on the Auckland Harbour Bridge for walking, cycling, and wheeling

## Whau Local Board

- Support the completion of the next section of [Te Whau Pathway](#)
- Continuing open streets events through the Avondale town centre (eg. regularly on Sundays when the market is on)
- Support safe cycle connections through New Lynn and Kelston
- Support the [New North road and Symonds street upgrade](#) (it connects along the top of Rosebank road)



## Howick Local Board Plan

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### Community Groups Feeding the Homeless

**Local Board:** Howick

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See Attached.



**Submission of Community Groups Feeding the Homeless**

**Draft Local Board Plans - all**

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The focus of Community Groups Feeding the Homeless (CGFH), which has been in existence for 5 years, is on feeding homeless people and supporting them in other ways. We act as an umbrella group that supports a number of groups, including Sunday Blessings (Waitematā) and Waka of Caring (Manurewa).

Homelessness is an issue that affects all of Auckland. Homeless people are amongst the most vulnerable people in our communities. In our view, local boards could help with community initiatives that support homeless people, and we know that some of them do and we appreciate that. Community Groups Feeding the Homeless (CGFH) has received funding from two local boards to support groups that we provide admin and practical support to, for which we are very grateful. We also appreciate the Local Boards that mention homelessness and/or deprivation and inequity in their plans and those that have key initiatives or advocacy that address homelessness.

We would like to see local boards support members of the community wishing to set up Pātaka Kai (<https://www.patakai.co.nz/>) and that local boards publicise, perhaps in their e-newsletters, the locations of these free community pantries in their area. These pantries have been set up around New Zealand and many of them are in Auckland, though there are none in the city centre or on Aotea-Great Barrier.

We are also aware that some local board areas have community fridges in them, and we would like to see local boards supporting the establishment of more of them.

CGFH supports the roll-out of food scraps bins, and once they are established and people know how to use them, we would like the community to be encouraged to place any edible food that they don't need in a Pātaka Kai or fridge rather than in their food scraps bin.

We would also like to inform Local Board that one of the groups we are associated with, Guru Nanak Free Kitchen, has informed us that all the Sikh gurdwaras throughout Auckland are open 24/7 with food available for homeless people and others in need. In this time of cost of living difficulties and food insecurity, we feel it is important that the community know of such facilities and local boards are one way to inform the community.

We know that many of the libraries and community centres throughout Auckland welcome homeless people and some of them have programmes to support them and/or facilities such as showers that homeless people can use. We thank these places for their valuable support.

We note in the following local board draft plans what could and/or definitely are references to support for homeless people and those who are suffering from food insecurity in key initiatives and advocacy, and we endorse your support:

### **Henderson-Massey**

What we will work on:

“Prioritise investment into communities of greatest need to support initiatives led by the community, for the community” (page 14).

“Work with West Auckland Together to support community-led resilience through the kai sovereignty project, including developing māra kai” (page 18).

“F2. Protect our productive soils and move toward regenerative practices to increase food security and carbon sequestration F3. Prevent and reduce waste and maximise the value of surplus food F4. Increase supply and demand for local, seasonal and low carbon food” (page 12).

### **Hibiscus and Bays**

“Advocate for better connections between the local board, our communities and central government agencies working with our communities to build trust, and better outcomes for all, in key areas of concern such as homelessness, housing, transport and marine fisheries (page 16)”

### **Franklin**

“Fund community resilience programmes that: • facilitate locally-led emergency response and resilience planning • support resident associations to embrace new communities • support organisations helping our most vulnerable” (page 18).

### **Kaipātiki**

Flagship project



“Support community-led low carbon food initiatives such as community gardens, markets, cooking lessons, plant-based meal choices, community fridges and urban farm projects, such as those set out in the Kaipātiki Naturalisation of Parks Service Assessment (page 14)”

“We recognise that our physical, mental, social, and spiritual wellbeing is critical in enabling community connection and engagement. We support Te Whare Tapa Whā, a holistic model developed by Māori health expert Sir Mason Durie, which highlights the need to look after all the different aspects of our lives to be well. We are particularly aware of the importance of looking after our mental health. We use the Mental Health Foundation’s Five Ways to Wellbeing as a framework for the decisions we make – Be Active, Give, Connect, Keep Learning, and Take Notice” (page 16).

“Support community-led low carbon food initiatives that also promote kai sovereignty” (page 22).

### **Mangere- Otahuhu**

“Support food scraps, community gardens and māra kai initiatives to improve food security and sustainable living.”

### **Manurewa**

“the Governing Body to address historical and structural inequities in its budget by investing in our most vulnerable communities to keep pace with current economic trends” (page 22).

“In addition, Manurewa residents are more likely than all Aucklanders to mention food security as a key climate change challenge facing our area” (page 15).

“We recognise our community’s concern about food security. We know that as the effects of climate change increase, such as droughts and extreme weather events, crop yields decrease and food prices rise. Already, the cost-of-living crisis is having significant effects on our community. We’ve started work on locally-led food sovereignty and are initiating ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa” (pages 15-16).

“Continue to support Auckland Teaching Gardens and support other community food initiatives such as local food markets and community gardens” (page 17).

“Continue to fund locally-led food sovereignty and initiating ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa” (page 18).

“Work with community partners who are targeting harm reduction associated with smoking, gambling, alcohol, drug use and unhealthy diets (page 22).

### **Ōtara-Papatoetoe**

“Promoting and facilitating access to healthy food options for all, including through community and teaching gardens, are simple ways to improve the well-being of all communities” (page 20).

“Explore partnerships with iwi, marae, community organisations including Ngāti Tamaoho and Ngāti Ōtara Marae to reduce the levels of homelessness” (page 27).

### **Papakura**

“The main issues raised by Māori include food security and having healthy options, the importance of youth pathways (e.g. employment/further education), growing Māori economic prosperity, and the need to enhance the green space at Te Koiwi Reserve” (page 8).

“Support māra kai and food security initiatives” (page 16).

“the support and development of resilient local food systems with access to affordable, appetising food/drink. This would be sustainable, locally produced and culturally appropriate. The goal is food security and food sovereignty for all residents in the Papakura local board area” (page 17).

### **Waiheke**

“Support actions and policies aimed at reducing harm caused by alcohol, smoking, drugs, and gambling, including development of a local alcohol policy” (page 13).

“Support the Waiheke Kai Charter, Piritahi Marae Māra Kai model gardens and other community-led programmes that achieve sustainable and lowcarbon behaviour change and self-sufficiency such as composting, vegetable gardens, renewable energy generation and food waste reduction” (page 17).

### **Waitākere Ranges**

“Investigate opportunities to promote and support kai sovereignty” (page 18).

### **Waitematā**

“The board currently supports Māori outcomes through: • taking action in response to people experiencing homelessness.”

“Engage with our vulnerable and diverse communities, such as people experiencing homelessness, elderly, and ethnic communities to better involve them in the planning and programming decisions that affect them” (page 10).

“Support a network of community gardens and food resilience activities” (page 11).

“Continue to support local communities to implement local composting and grow a local low-carbon, resilient food production system, such as through community gardens” (page 23).

“We will support communities to lead their own solutions. We will maintain our commitment to community driven activities and grants that enable positive outcomes for our people. Community groups, organisations, and delivery partners are working every day to provide services that improve community resilience, connection, and wellbeing. Whether this is for vulnerable communities such as those challenged with homelessness, or our rainbow youth, or our elderly living in high-rise residential towers, we want to ensure our funding reaches across the spectrum and continues to provide benefits. Where we cannot directly support with funding, we

will advocate for involvement and programming from other providers, such as central government, and work with delivery partners across Waitemata, such as Auckland Transport, Eke Panuku and Tātaki Auckland Unlimited, to ensure the community is provided for in programming and initiatives” (page 17).

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“Advocating to Affordable housing solutions for people experiencing homelessness Advocate to the Governing Body and Central Government for increased support to ensure homelessness becomes ‘rare, brief and non-recurring’ including providing short-, medium- and long-term affordable housing solutions” (page 19).

“Support affordable housing provision by iwi, community housing providers and co-housing Advocate to the Governing Body to actively, and appropriately respond to Auckland’s affordable housing crisis; to prioritise and support affordable housing provision by iwi, community housing providers and cohousing projects through advice, raising bonds, guaranteeing loans, empathetic planning rules and consenting. Governing Body, Eke Panuku Council provision of appropriate affordable housing Council to investigate planning for the provision of appropriate affordable housing, particularly Pensioner Housing, in the Auckland Isthmus, where there is no Council housing. Street outreach for mental health and addiction support. Advocate to Governing Body and Central Government to increase funding for assertive street outreach and mental health and addiction support for our communities sleeping rough” (page 19).

“Advocate to Governing Body and CCO’s to enhance provision of city centre public amenities such as drinking fountains, toilets, showers, and lockers which will support travel mode shift and climate change outcomes providing a rich urban experience for our tourists, visitors, families and elderly, and people experiencing homelessness.” (page 19).

“Support a network of community gardens and food resilience activities” (page 29).

**Whau**

“Grow capacity and network with partners to provide opportunities for kai sovereignty projects” (page 18).

“Find new ways to engage with our communities and involve individuals and groups, especially those generally underrepresented, in civic initiatives and democratic processes”

“Positive outcomes for our diverse communities and less prosperous populations (page 13).”

“Improve open spaces, considering public need for shade, shelter, drinking fountains, and toilets” (page 29).

Date of submission:

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Audrey van Ryn,

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### Community Cat Coalition Inc.

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Please see attached



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The Community Cat Coalition Inc. is committed to the humane management of community (stray, unowned, 'street') cats across Auckland. Established by Bob Kerridge of the SPCA in 2009 to support the work of the many different individuals and groups caring for community cats and working to manage their numbers, CCC is now a registered charity and incorporated society which facilitates and finances around 2500 de-sexings (spay and neuter) of community cats each year, finds responsible homes for as many of these cats as possible, and works to educate the public about de-sexing as the most humane, effective, sustainable and socially-licensed long-term solution to both welfare concerns about too many unwanted cats and biodiversity concerns around cats as predators in urban/suburban areas.

We also work to improve public understanding of the different categories of cat, as defined in the Companion Cat Code under the Animal Welfare Act 1999. The community cats we desex and manage **are not feral** – by definition, feral cats live well away from areas of human habitation, have none of their needs met by people, and their population sizes fluctuate largely independently of companion or community cat populations. Most people never see a feral cat, certainly never in or near Auckland. Community cats are companion cats who have been abandoned, dumped, got lost, are very loosely owned and/or simply the product of people failing to desex their companion animals. They are variably socialised, but by definition they are not 'feral', which in this context does not mean 'hissy' - they have been bred for domesticity and depend on the community to meet their needs. CCC's work is entirely with community cats, not with feral cats. Unlike community and companion cats, feral cats may, in some sparsely populated regions, be defined as pests and be subject to pest management control. Humane community cat management around areas of human habitation (what we do) is an under-funded area of conservation focus and expenditure.

Amongst the introduced animals targeted by biodiversity initiatives, cats are unique in that they are also NZ's most popular companion animal - many people have a great deal of affection for them, and recognise the documented health and life-

enhancing benefits of their companionship, especially for the socially marginalised. The potential for managing community cats as CCC does and seeks to do more of, derives from this historic relationship and regard. In conjunction with initiatives promoting de-sexing of both companion and community cats, TNR, Adoption, and Colony Management programs humanely and effectively address the potential for predation of native fauna by community cats within urban areas, as well as any potential for their recruitment into cat populations within areas identified by Council as ecologically significant.

CCC is seeking recognition by Boards that progress towards the attainment of the biodiversity objectives of their Plans may be advanced by supporting the work of the Community cat Coalition Inc., and/or other groups engaged in this mahi.

Thank you for this opportunity to contribute to the Local Board Plans of 2023.

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I hope you pay attention to public facilities in Flat Bush. I think making a small payment to use public spaces is something to look into. For example, public swimming pools.



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Support

#### Tell us why

I feel like it seems to operate well.

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Support

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Communication is important.

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Support

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It is important to know the content.



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Partially Support

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I understand the current difficulties in the financial situation.



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Want ongoing support towards communities or groups with different language and cultures

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Need to be more active in advertising

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#### Tell us why

Seminars for residents are often held and they actively listen to improve community issues

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**Tell us why**

Online services may adopt the Internet to carry out various community activities, and some regular courses may use APP to complete some community announcements.

**5. Our places: supporting our growth, development and transport**

Howick Local Board is committed to fostering partnerships with local town centres to enhance the vibrancy of the area and support local businesses. The board also acknowledges the importance of a well-connected transport network, and will fully capitalise on the opportunities that the Eastern Busway project brings, including walking cycling networks throughout the local board area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

I don't know.

**Tell us why**

Barely use public transport, don't know much about this part.

**6. Our economy: supporting our economic recovery**

A strong, prosperous local economy that everyone can participate in is vital to the wellbeing of the entire community. The local board is committed to working closely with Business East Tamaki and Howick Village Association to support them in delivering their strategic plans, as well as investigate options to expand the Business Improvement Districts, including addition of new districts. We will support initiatives that help to create local employment opportunities, particularly for youth, and will continue to work with East Auckland Tourism to bring more visitors to explore and experience our area.

**Do you support the ways we propose to meet the community's needs for this area of focus**

I don't know.

**Tell us why**

After several years of COVID-19 lockdowns, economic issues are global, so it takes a long time for official data to be known before we can talk about related issues.

**7. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet our climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?**

About climate change and protection of existing green space forests, the density of residential areas, and the prohibition of personal waste on the beach, and publish more information about how to protect the environment.

8. As the council has less funding than in previous years, adequate funding may not be available to maintain all community facilities such as libraries, sports and recreation facilities, and community halls.

Howick Local Board needs to consider a new approach to how services are delivered more efficiently. This could include reducing the number of council owned buildings so that investment can be targeted towards key facilities.

**How do you feel about this approach?**

Support

**Tell us why (include examples of specific facilities to help us understand the impact on our community)**

Use online APP or e-books, or books can be recycled. Residents in the community may share the books they have read and share some useful tips in life. Use the school lawn or rented venues to organise activities and save costs.