Te mahere ā rohe o Manurewa 2023

Manurewa Local Board Plan 2023



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Mihi Tēnā kia hoea

Tēnā kia hoea e au taku waka mā ngā tai mihi o ata

e uru ake ai au mā te awa o Tāmaki

ki te ūnga o Tainui waka i Ōtāhuhu.

I reira ka toia aku mihi ki te uru ki te Pūkaki-Tapu-a-Poutūkeka,

i reira ko te Pā i Māngere.

E hoe aku mihi mā te Mānukanuka a Hoturoa

ki te kūrae o te Kūiti o Āwhitu.

I kona ka rere taku haere mā te ākau ki te pūaha o Waikato,

te awa tukukiri o ngā tūpuna, Waikato Taniwharau, he piko he taniwha.

Ka hīkoi anō aku mihi mā te taha whakararo

mā Maioro ki Waiuku ki Mātukureira

kei kona ko ngā Pā o Tāhuna me Reretewhioi.

Ka aro whakarunga au kia tau atu ki Pukekohe.

Ka tahuri te haere a taku reo ki te ao o te tonga e whāriki atu rā mā runga i ngā hiwi,

kia taka atu au ki Te Paina, ki te Pou o Mangatāwhiri.

Ka titiro whakarunga ki te tāhuhu o Hūnua kei reira ko Kohukohunui,

me tōna toronga, a Te Wairoa.

Mātika tonu aku mihi ki a koe Kaiaua

te whākana atu rā ō whatu mā Tīkapa Moana ki te maunga tapu o Moehau.

Ka kauhoetia e aku kõrero te moana ki Maraetai

kia hoki ake au ki uta ki Ōhuiarangi, heteri mō Pakuranga.

I reira ka hoki whakaroto ake anō au i te awa o Tāmaki

ma te taha whakarunga ki Te Puke o Taramainuku, kei kona ko Ōtara.

Katahi au ka toro atu ki te Manurewa a Tamapohore,

kia whakatau aku mihi mutunga ki runga o Pukekiwiriki

kei raro ko Papakura ki kona au ka whakatau.

Let this vessel that carries my greetings

travel by way of the Tāmaki River

to the landing place of Tainui canoe at Ōtāhuhu.

There, let my salutations be borne across the isthmus to the Pūkaki lagoon

and the community of Mangere.

Paddling the Manukau Harbour

we follow the Awhitu Peninsula to the headland.

From there we fly down coast to the Waikato river mouth,

sacred waters of our forebears.

Coming ashore on the northern side

at Maioro we head inland to Waiuku and Mātukureira,

there too is the Pā at Tāhuna and Reretewhioi.

Heading southward I come to Pukekohe.

My words turn to follow the ancient ridgelines along the southern boundary,

dropping down into Mercer and te Pou o Mangatāwhiri.

I look up to the massif of the Hūnua ranges, locale of Kohukohunui and

its arterial river, Te Wairoa.

My greetings reach you at Kaiaua

who gaze across Tīkapa Moana to the sacred mountain, Moehau.

Taking to the sea, my remarks travel to Maraetai

and then to Ōhuiarangi, sentinel to Pakuranga.

There we follow again the Tāmaki River

to Te Puke o Taramainuku, Ōtara resides there.

From here I reach for Manurewa

until my greetings come to rest on Pukekiwiriki

below lies Papakura and there I rest.

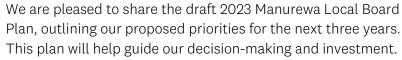
Ngā upoko kōrero

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He kōrero mai i te Heamana

From the Chair







We're operating on tight budgets, within the constraints of limited resources. Our communities are grappling with a cost-of-living crisis, the effects of climate change and rising inflation. Couple this with the lack of equitable funding for Manurewa over the last 13 years, and we can all appreciate the challenge we have ahead of us.

We need your input and feedback to help us prioritise what you think we could and should deliver over the next three years. This draft plan provides an overview of what we propose relating to Māori outcomes and climate action. It then covers five key themes: Our people, Our environment, Our community, Our places and Our economy. Although the format for the plan has changed, we are not starting from the beginning. We have considered priorities in the current local board plan that we would like to continue, as well as what you've told us through past consultations.

This plan puts people and safe, connected and resilient communities at its heart, and we will do what we can to attract alternative funding through government, commercial and philanthropic partnerships. Until we get the equitable funds we require to deliver what Manurewa needs and deserves, we will need to appeal to others for extra support.

Our communities need a break. Over 70 per cent of our population live in areas of high deprivation. We will prioritise actions that lift the health and wellbeing of our communities together with our grassroots community groups, find ways to boost our local economy, and advocate to ensure you have access to great public amenities, transport options and a thriving environment.

We also know how important the look and feel of our neighbourhoods is to you. We would like to increase the levels of service maintenance of our local contractors. This would include maintenance and repair of all assets across buildings, parks, open spaces, and sports fields, town centre cleaning, street litter bin emptying, vegetation clearance, and berm mowing works.

The stark reality is that not everything we want or even need will be possible and we want to hear from you, what you feel is most important. We'll listen to your needs and work alongside you where we can, to make the greatest difference. Please let us know what you think.

Ngā mihi

Glenn Murphy

Chairparaa

Chairperson

Chairperson

Matt Winiata

3 November 2022 to 28 April 2024

29 April 2024 to end of term 2025

He aronga poto ki tā mātou mahere

Our plan at a glance



Christmas in the Park, Mountfort Park

Our people

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



Weymouth Wharf

Our environment

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



Manurewa Netball and Community Centre

Our community

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



Gallaher Park, Manurewa

Our places

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



Southmall

Our economy

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

He kōrero mō ngā poari ā-rohe

About local boards Auckland Council has a unique model of local gove

Auckland Council has a unique model of local government in New Zealand, made up of the Governing Body (the mayor and 20 Governing Body members) and 21 local boards. The Governing Body focuses on Auckland-wide issues while local boards are responsible for decision-making on local matters, activities and services and for providing input into regional strategies, policies and plans.

We make decisions on local matters such as:

- supporting local arts, culture, events and sport and recreation
- supporting local organisations to deliver community services
- maintaining and upgrading town centres and facilities including parks, libraries and halls
- caring for the environment and preserving heritage.

Local boards also have a role in representing the view of their communities on issues of local importance.

Higher inflation and the cost of borrowing money has pushed up the cost of providing these services. We will need to address these challenges in the local board plan, which means doing things differently and prioritising where we spend.

About local board plans

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

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- local board input into the council's regional strategies and plans, including the Auckland Plan



- how local boards will work with other agencies, including community groups, central government agencies and council-controlled organisations that play key roles in the area
- funding and investment decisions.

Local board plans are inclusive and connected; they don't operate in isolation. They support:

- the Auckland Plan 2050 the 30-year vision for Auckland
- the council's 10-year budget planned spending and future investment priorities over the longer term
- the council's annual budget funding for the coming financial year of the 10-year budget.

Each local board adopts an agreement that sets local budgets, levels of service, performance measures and targets for each financial year. Details of projects, budgets and timelines are outlined in annual work programmes. Progress is reported quarterly and communicated to our communities.

Te whakawhanake i tā mātou mahere

Developing our plan

When developing our draft plan, we ensured it reflected the aspirations of our community. We took the time to reflect on what you have already told us since our last local board plan was adopted and what has changed since then.

This draft plan takes account of the financial challenges facing our city along with the specific challenges and opportunities facing our area. Despite these challenges, our draft plan comprises of a number of aspirational objectives and some of the key initiatives we will carry out to achieve them.



Te whakatutuki i tā mātou mahere

Carrying out our plan

Turning plans into reality takes many people working together – the community, the local board and the wider council family such as Auckland Transport. To deliver on the local board plans, we will:

- prioritise budgets to focus on the initiatives in the plans.
- make the best use of local assets such as community centres, libraries and parks.
- set direction for the council staff who deliver the projects and services.
- work with various community groups and partners, to deliver projects and services.
- make decisions that are in line with Auckland's commitment to climate action and emissions reduction.
- Where important projects in local areas are beyond available funding or decision making, our role is to advocate to other decision-makers to ensure they are aware of community views and the board's support for them.

Te Rohe ā-Poari o Manurewa

Manurewa Local Board area





Beautification Trust, Manurewa

Ngā huanga Māori

Māori Outcomes

Māori identity and culture are Auckland's unique point of difference in the world. Whānau, hapū, iwi and Māori communities aspire to have healthy and prosperous lives and have defined the outcomes that are most important to Māori. Māori outcomes are the way Auckland Council supports Māori aspirations.

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

The Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau framework outlines ten priority areas that support and progress these aspirations and has been adopted by the council as the way to deliver outcomes for Māori. These priority areas are:

Kia ora te kāinga - Papakāinga and Māori housing

Kia ora te marae - Marae development

Kia ora te ahurea - Māori identity and culture

Kia ora te rangatahi - Realising rangatahi potential

Kia ora te hononga - Effective Māori participation

Kia ora te whanau - Whānau and tamariki wellbeing

Kia ora te reo - Te reo Māori

Kia ora te umanga - Māori business, tourism and employment

Kia ora te taiao - Kaitiakitanga

Kia hāngai te Kaunihera - An empowered organisation



Local board plans are an important way to deliver for Māori at a local level. This section of the plan outlines the Māori outcomes addressed in this plan.

Local area context relating to Māori outcomes

We have the highest proportion (26 per cent) and highest number of Māori residents (24,849) across Auckland local boards. The median age of Manurewa's Māori residents is the youngest in Auckland (Census 2018). This means there is a need to focus on tamariki, rangatahi and their whanau. We need to provide relevant and welcoming public facilities and services and support Māori-led services where appropriate. Eleven mana whenua iwi have interests here and have pro-actively engaged with the local board over time:

- Te Kawerau ā Maki
- Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki
- Ngāti Tamaoho
- Ngaati Te Ata Waiohua
- Te Ākitai Waiohua
- Te Ahiwaru
- Ngāti Paoa
- Ngaati Whanaunga
- Ngāti Maru
- Ngāti Tamaterā
- Waikato-Tainui.

Manurewa Marae is a vibrant, urban social and community hub in Clendon and our area has dedicated Māori organisations. Te Kaha O Te Rangatahi is the Whanau Ora partner located in this local board area that provides whanau-centred services in areas such as health, education, housing, employment, improved standards of living and cultural identity.

Key projects currently delivering Māori outcomes locally include:

- Ara Kōtui ongoing southern local board and iwi engagement with a governance focus. All mana whenua iwi indicating their interest in the roopu are invited on a regular basis
- **Puhinui regeneration** regenerating the Puhinui Stream and improving its ecological quality working with both governance and kaitiaki representatives of the following iwi:
 - o Te Ākitai o Waiohua
 - o Ngaati Te Ata
 - o Ngāti Tamaoho
- Te Kete Rukuruku a programme of work involving the collection and telling of the unique stories of Tāmaki Makaurau. The following iwi are involved, or have indicated interest, in Māori naming as part of Te Kete Rukuruku in the Manurewa Local Board area:
 - o Ngaati Te Ata Waiohua
 - o Ngaati Whanaunga
 - o Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki

- o Ngāti Paoa
- o Ngāti Tamaoho
- o Te Ahiwaru
- Te Ākitai Waiohua.
- Māori-led artwork encouraging, elevating and celebrating Māori culture at Te Pātaka Kōrero o Waimāhia. Artwork has been co-designed by Clendon rangatahi and Extreme Success with advice from Te Ākitai Waiohua
- Kaupapa Māori approaches infusing kaupapa Māori at Te Pātaka Kōrero o Manurewa in partnership with Manurewa Marae
- TUIA mentoring developing leadership capacity of rangatahi Māori in communities throughout Aotearoa
- Manurewa bilingual hikoi an annual community led event that celebrates the area's rich history, marae and people and highlights the unique place Māori hold in Manurewa.

Iwi Māori and Māori organisations have provided feedback since the 2010 amalgamation through Annual Budget, long-term plan, and local board plan consultation processes, and through input into regional plans, policies and strategies such as Auckland's Water Strategy, Ngā Hapori Momoho: Thriving Communities, and Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland's Climate plan.

Governance level engagement in the southern region of Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland has been through Ara Kōtui, and shared and individual hui between the local board and iwi representatives, while project level feedback is shared through council-iwi kaimahi/staff relationships.

Engagement and relationships with iwi, marae and Māori communities are ongoing and the transition of the new local board provides opportunity for building on and strengthening existing connections.

Strategic priorities shared by iwi include:

- achieving high standards of health, education, housing and wellbeing for whanau.
- supporting and developing rangatahi.
- enabling iwi to be involved by providing a level of support that facilitates sustainable involvement.
- protecting and enhancing the environment, biodiversity and water through the practice of kaitiakitanga, grounded in mātauranga Māori.
- promoting te reo Māori and tikanga.
- improving prosperity for Māori through business and employment.
- applying a transgenerational approach and planning for many generations ahead.

Specific Manurewa priorities and areas of interest from individual iwi have also been discussed over time. These have been considered in the development of this draft local board plan.







Kia Ora Tamaki Makaurau Outcome	Objective in the plan	Initiatives	
Kia ora te ahurea: Māori identity and culture	Māori heritage and identity are an intrinsic part of who we are and what we experience every day	Continue our partnership with mana whenua to deliver Te Kete Rukuruku which includes Māori naming of parks and reserves. Identify opportunities to promote the narratives that come with the names	
		Increase opportunities for the expression of Māori arts and culture, e.g. through Waitangi Day, Matariki and Te Wiki o te Reo Māori / Māori Language Week activities	
		Partner with mana whenua, Manurewa Marae and Māori organisations to showcase and celebrate Māori culture, stories and identity	
		Investigate options to support Ngāti Tamaoho aspirations for a cultural hub at Te Pua/Keith Park	
		Explore ways to increase the attractiveness of Manurewa Town Centre, including more planting and installation of artworks that reflect the Māori identity of Manurewa	
	Cultural diversity is reflected in our amenities	Identify opportunities to ensure our public amenities are welcoming to all, with inclusive design and architecture	
Kia ora te hononga: Effective Māori participation	Māori participation is effective and meaningful	Continue our partnership with mana whenua through the project Ara Kōtui - Improving Māori Input into Local Board Decision-making	
		Implement new processes to enable shared decision-making by mana whenua and the local board	
		Engage with Māori organisations to increase their participation in local board planning processes	
		Enable iwi to be more involved by providing a level of support that facilitates sustainable participation	
Kia ora te rangatahi: Realising rangatahi potential	Young people are engaged, have a voice, and contribute positively to local life	Support the development of rangatahi Māori through the Tuia mentoring programme	
	Young people have the skills and training needed for quality,	Provide ways to develop young people, including the continued delivery of our successful rangatahi youth grants	
	sustainable employment	Support programmes that equip rangatahi (youth) with skills for high quality sustainable jobs, including entrepreneurship and social enterprise, and prepare them for the transition to a low carbon, circular and resilient economy	

	Advocacy to youth providers	Ensure youth services recognise the important place of pastoral care and cultural safety in rangatahi education and employment
Kia ora te taiao: Kaitiakitanga	Our communities strengthen their resilience to disasters and climate change effects	Work with mana whenua and community partners to create a community emergency response plan for everyone with an extra focus on those who might need additional assistance, and revisit key locations identified as community-led emergency centres
		Support the development of targeted and culturally appropriate initiatives that increase knowledge and awareness of climate change and build community resilience to climate impacts, such as exploring econeighbourhoods
		Fund the Auckland Urban Ngahere (Forest) Strategy - Growing Phase which will supplement other tree canopy planting activity taking place regularly across the community
	Advocacy to central government	Apply stronger requirements and powers for the protection and enhancement of urban ngahere
	The water quality of our harbours and waterways is steadily improving	Continue our work alongside Te Ākitai Waiohua, Ngaati Te Ata Waiohua and Ngāti Tamaoho on regenerating the Puhinui Stream and improving its ecology
		Progress the work of Manukau Harbour Forum in collaboration with the eight other local boards, iwi and other interested parties. The harbour needs to be recognised as a significant cultural, ecological, social and economic taonga. This includes supporting the development and implementation of a long-term programme of integrated harbour management
	We protect our natural areas, are pest free and regenerating to enhance biodiversity and ecosystems	Continue funding community pest, animal and plant control in reserves, parks, open spaces and around our facilities to help restore the natural environment through Pest Free South Auckland. This work is led by Beautification Trust and includes groups such as Tōtara Park Bush Guardians, Te Pu-a-Nga Maara Awa Rangers and Pest Free Wattle Downs. Te Ahiwaru provides governance support to PFSA
Kia ora te whānau: Whānau and tamariki wellbeing	Family, whānau and social wellbeing is strengthened	Work to improve the health and wellbeing of our people in partnership with community organisations, including Manurewa Marae





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		Support community-led education programmes that increase awareness of low carbon actions people can take to achieve energy efficient and healthy homes and lifestyles
Kia ora te marae: Marae Development	Family, whānau and social wellbeing is strengthened	Investigate options to support the Manurewa Marae in its aspirations to deliver social and emergency housing onsite, such as applying for the council's Cultural Initiatives funding
Kia ora te kāinga – Papakāinga and Māori housing	Family, whānau and social wellbeing is strengthened	Consider enabling access by the Manurewa Marae to the adjacent reserve next door for further housing
Kia ora te reo: Te reo Māori	Māori heritage and identity are an intrinsic part of who we are and what we experience every day	Support our libraries to provide more opportunities to learn about te ao Māori and te reo Māori, including mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge), traditions and practices
	Children have lots of options for casual or informal play	Identify potential play spaces to incorporate te ao Māori, including the use of te reo Māori
Kia ora te umanga: Māori Business, Tourism and Employment	Our local economy continues to grow	Support the Manurewa and Wiri business associations in their aspirations to assist local businesses and increase local economic activity including for Māori and Pacific businesses
	Local ventures enjoy economic success, innovation and enterprise	Investigate funding a local economic broker to support businesses leverage local economic development outcomes and to promote local skills, talents and resources to business. This resource would include a specific focus on enabling Māori economic outcomes
	Māori and Pasifika are engaged in creating and sharing the benefits of a fairer economy for south Auckland	Support The Southern Initiative's work on delivering an economic model for south Auckland that enables Māori and Pasifika to grow wealth and benefit from participating in this economy
	Advocacy to Governing Body	Improve council procurement processes that act as a barrier to Māori businesses
Kia hāngai te Kaunihera – An	Advocacy to Governing Body	Improve council processes to enable more Māori input on key strategies and plans
empowered organisation		Improve Māori outcome performance measures for greater accountability and to maintain momentum on progress including creating the ability for Māori communities to influence how funding is allocated



Manukau Harbour from Manurewa

Te Tāruke ā-Tāwhiri

Climate Action

In 2019, Auckland Council declared a climate emergency and in 2020 adopted Auckland's climate plan, Te Tāruke ā-Tāwhiri. Meeting the goals set out in this plan means taking ambitious action to reduce emissions and to adapt to a changing climate.

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

Our communities are more resilient to climate change effects

We have seen time and again, that in an emergency, Manurewa pulls together, and no one is left behind. In an increasingly complex and uncertain risk landscape, we want to ensure our people are more prepared and more resilient to climate change effects.

As we have seen, parts of Tāmaki Makaurau are already feeling these effects, with more frequent and severe storms, floods and droughts. We also face hazards from other sources; from plant, animal and human diseases, through to technological disruptions.

Manurewa residents have identified the main climate related challenges faced in our local board area as follows:



- 35 per cent of residents say they lack knowledge and awareness of climate change
- 22 per cent of residents are concerned about access to public transport
- 21 per cent of residents feel coastal changes including sea level rise and erosion are a challenge.¹

In addition, Manurewa residents are more likely than all Aucklanders to mention food security as a key climate change challenge facing our area.

Some of the key environmental risks and opportunities for the area are:

- pressures on the environment: sea level rise, increased rain events, water infrastructure, transport infrastructure, land use change, air and water pollution
- opportunities for improving environmental outcomes: intensified development done right, improved transport connectivity, increased canopy cover.

Climate change effects have been assessed as part of Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland's Climate Plan with coastal parts of the local board area found to be the most vulnerable. Our Shoreline Adaptation Plan focusing on Manukau Harbour: Awhitu to Whatipu will focus on management and adaptation overtime of council owned land and assets in response to coastal hazard and catchment flood risk in coastal areas. Ability to adapt is highly varied, ranging from very low to very high. Clendon, Weymouth and Beaumont are identified as hotspots with lower adaptative capacity.

Disaster resilience

In response to our communities feeling they lack knowledge and awareness of climate change, we'll help people increase their understanding of climate change implications and develop clear pathways for communities and neighbours to support each other using their own networks and resources. We need to ensure our community has equitable access to the skills and resources needed to adapt successfully. We'll work with partners to create a local approach for everyone with an extra focus on those who might need additional assistance, and review locations currently identified as community-led emergency centres. We'll also support the development of targeted and culturally appropriate initiatives to build disaster resilience.

Reducing transport emissions

There is a correlation between people working outside Manurewa travelling by car, and the lack of decent public transport options. Our people are having to use cars to commute for work and education. We want to see people either accessing the things they need closer to home and having satisfactory public transport options that get them to work, school and play easily and on time, thereby reducing their contribution to Auckland's transport emissions. We will continue our advocacy to increase the frequency, connectivity, and capacity of public transport services in Manurewa. We'll also investigate options to create more cycleways/cycle paths on public land and on land managed by utility companies that provide essential public services such as electricity, gas, power, water and telecommunications.

Food security

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

¹ Understanding community views, People Perception Survey 2020, Colmar Brunton

locally-led food sovereignty and are initiating ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa.

Urban Ngahere

Our tree canopy cover is currently at 12 per cent which is below the minimum target under the Urban Ngahere (Forest) Strategy and below the urban Auckland average of 18 per cent. As Manurewa is already highly urbanised, our parks, open spaces and roadside trees that provide shade, play an important role in connecting residents with nature that enhances their health and wellbeing.

As a local board we've been doing our bit to restore and enhance the canopy cover. Alongside the other southern local boards, we'll continue to support ways to plant and retain more trees on public and private land and suburban streets such as through our ecological volunteer programme. It's important we prioritise planting, particularly native trees, for the wellbeing of our community now, to anticipate future temperature rises, and to prevent the loss of our biodiversity.

We will also advocate to central government for stronger requirements and powers for the protection and enhancement of urban ngahere. We have committed to do our part in this, but there is only so much that can be done on council-owned land. Legislative measures to assist with this 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.

Adapting to a changing climate

We have identified specific focus areas for action above, based on the primary concerns from our community. We are also considering other ways to adapt to our changing climate. The following objectives and initiatives from the plan will support climate goals both directly and indirectly.

Objective in the plan	Initiatives
Family, whānau and social wellbeing is strengthened	Support community-led education programmes that increase awareness of low carbon actions people can take to achieve energy efficient and healthy homes and lifestyles.
People know each other, feel connected in their neighbourhoods and play a key part in shaping Manurewa	Continue our Strengthening Our Streets project with an increased focus on agile neighbourhood led projects and initiatives that respond to social connection and cohesion, community participation and climate resilience
Our communities strengthen their resilience to disasters and climate change effects	Work with mana whenua and community partners to create a community emergency response plan for everyone with an extra focus on those who might need additional assistance, and review locations currently identified as community-led emergency centres
	Support the development of targeted and culturally appropriate initiatives that increase knowledge and awareness of climate change and build community resilience to climate impacts, such as exploring eco-neighbourhoods
	Support communities to be more prepared for extreme weather events by supporting community-led education and empowerment programmes, and community connectedness





	Fund the Manurewa Urban Ngahere Action Plan 2022 to grow our tree canopy cover which will complement other tree canopy planting activity taking place on a regular basis across the community
	Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate additional funding from the Climate Action Targeted Rate or Natural Environment Targeted Rate for urban ngahere planting
	Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate equitable funding to implement adaptation strategies from the Shoreline Adaptation Plan for Pahurehure Inlet, Manukau East and Manukau North
	Advocate to the Governing Body for the clearance of stormwater sumps twice yearly to be a routine and ongoing service to mitigate flood risk
	Advocate to central government to apply stronger requirements and powers for the protection and enhancement of urban ngahere
	Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate an equitable funding distribution to ensure our public facilities and spaces are welcoming, meet the demands of our diverse communities and deliver sustainability outcomes
We are a low-carbon community with zero waste	Fund initiatives that encourage reductions in illegal dumping in priority areas such as Clendon, Rata Vine, Randwick Park and Wiri
	Support sustainability focused initiatives being delivered by groups such as the Beautification Trust
	Advocate to the Governing Body to allocate funding in the 10-year Budget to create a resource recovery park for the south
	Advocate to the Governing Body to review the council's current inorganic collection as our communities find the current process restrictive and challenging to navigate, leading to illegal dumping, and investigate ways to remove barriers for residents to enable easy ways to dispose of surplus inorganic waste
The Great South Road corridor is a great place to place to live and do business with an integrated regional transport hub	Support the growth and redevelopment around the town centre that involves key development sites and quality residential intensification, including appropriate waste and stormwater management
Our communities experience food security	Continue to support Auckland Teaching Gardens and support other community food initiatives such as local food markets and community gardens

	Continue to fund locally-led food sovereignty and initiating ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa
Climate change and sustainability initiatives are visible within our local facilities	Investigate options for the installation of more solar panels across our community facilities in partnership with power companies, and encourage households to do the same
	Make our community facilities available for third parties and community-based energy projects to invest in electric vehicle charging, renewable energy and battery storage
The Great South Road corridor is a great place to place to live and do business with an integrated regional transport hub	Support the growth and redevelopment around the town centre that involves key development sites and quality residential intensification, including appropriate waste and stormwater management
Transport options encourage a mode shift from private car use, are easy to access and meet diverse community needs	Investigate opportunities for more cycleways/cycle paths on public land and on land managed by utility companies that provide essential public services such as electricity, gas, power, water and telecommunications
	Continue to work with AT to ensure our train stations are safe, accessible and connect to public transport and active transport modes
	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
Our local economy continues to grow	Investigate the feasibility of a covered Manurewa night market that prioritises local stall holders, ensures access is affordable and promotes zero waste and healthy food options
Local ventures enjoy economic success, innovation and enterprise	Create opportunities for new local business ventures and community and social enterprises to engage with commercial partners to access start-up funding and engage in circular business opportunities
Young people have the skills and training needed for quality, sustainable employment	Support programmes that equip rangatahi (youth) with skills for high quality sustainable jobs, including entrepreneurship and social enterprise, and prepare them for the transition to a low carbon, circular and resilient economy





Seniors Network at Manu Tukutuku, Randwick Park

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our people

Our people are resilient, connected and engaged

We take pride in Manurewa, enjoying quality of life, diversity and a sense of safety and connection.

Manurewa is a relatively young and ethnically diverse community with the fifth largest population by local board area in Auckland. At the 2018 Census we had 95,670 residents in our area, a 16.3 per cent increase from the 2013 Census. This included a 29.9 per cent increase in the number of Māori residents. The rate of increase for the Māori population in the whole of Auckland for the same period was 26.9 per cent. The total population in Manurewa is projected to grow to 114,797 (up 20 per cent) over the next 30 years.

Our changing diversity needs to be considered in our long-term planning. Manurewa's Pacific population has continued to grow and is our largest ethnic group at 36 per cent, followed by European at 29 per cent. Māori have increased to 26 per cent and the Asian population to 25 per cent.

Amohia ake te ora o te iwi ka puta ki te whei ao - the health and wellbeing of our people and community is paramount

The role of parents and whānau is crucial to shaping successful lives for our children and young people. The board knows the value of sustained support for community groups that enables people to access

essential services for building individual and community resilience. We'll work with organisations who help strengthen family, whānau and social wellbeing, and focus on building individual and community resilience. This includes expanding our relationships with different Pacific groups to ensure we support the increasing number of Pacific families moving into Manurewa. We'll keep working with community partners who are targeting harm reduction associated with smoking, gambling, alcohol, drug use and unhealthy diets as we know these affect personal, family and community wellbeing.

The Manurewa senior's network has grown significantly since COVID-19 and is very active. We will continue to support this as well providing opportunities for older people to continue contributing and participating, such as through our senior lifelong learning opportunities. They can make the most of the benefits of being older and we can all learn from their skills, knowledge and experience.

Manurewa Marae is developing a housing plan for its site on Finlayson Avenue. In due course this may involve considering access to the reserve land located next door. We will investigate options to support this vision.

Kia ora te hononga - Māori participation in decision making

The southern local boards have made progress in strengthening participation by mana whenua and mataawaka in how we plan, make decisions, and deliver projects. We value and respect the relationships that have been forged and remain committed to this work. This includes clearly identifying opportunities for shared decision-making, for example the establishment of a joint committee, and key strategic points in our planning process, such as annual planning where Māori participation in decision-making can take place. It is important that we enable iwi to be involved by providing a level of support that facilitates sustainable involvement. We recognise capacity issues can be a barrier to participation.

A voice for youth

Our large youth population provides a sense of youthful energy, liveliness and a strong spirit of change which are the foundations of our future. Responding to the needs of young people, promotion of local talent, designing youth-friendly spaces and places, and providing opportunities for healthy growth will all contribute to positive youth development. It is important to recognise that many of our young people hold either Māori or Pacific heritage, and that any response must take this into account.

Diversity and inclusion

We believe creativity, innovation and diversity enrich our lives. We value diversity in its broadest sense – culture, age, ability or identity – and for the strengths and opportunities it brings. Our aim is for communities to feel connected, recognised and engaged in local life. We will continue to respond to our changing diversity and welcoming new residents to the place we call home.

Manurewa has a growing movement of people who contribute to beautifying their neighbourhoods and celebrating their cultures. We'll help our communities to build the leadership, skills and capacity to keep driving positive change. This diversity of Māori, Pacific, European and ethnic culture, ideas and experiences is one of our strengths and with that we will nurture inclusivity.

Community safety

It's important for people to feel safe in their homes and out and about in their neighbourhoods and parks. This takes a team effort, and we will play our part, with local organisations, and local and central government, to jointly address neighbourhood safety and reduce antisocial behaviour in our public spaces. We will continue current safety initiatives with the police and local community groups, and prioritise new projects focusing on crime prevention, safer communities, and injury prevention.





Challenges

We face some challenges in working towards realising this vision:

- navigating bureaucracy can present barriers that get in the way of people being able to access what they need
- our population is transient
- housing intensification is bringing major change to neighbourhoods
- cost of living increases are having a major impact on families
- the differing needs and wishes of our diverse community present a challenge in responding with our limited resources
- people consistently report feeling unsafe.

Opportunities

We also have some opportunities:

- our communities lead when the call goes out, and during challenging times they are resourceful and know what to do
- relationships are strong and groups are connected
- mana whenua and mataawaka relationships can guide us to understand and support Māori-led outcomes
- richness of diversity, culture and language
- youthful population
- investing in our people enhances our community
- building on the good relationships with NZ Police and other government departments.

Our draft plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)
Family, whānau and social wellbeing is strengthened	Support initiatives that effectively improve social and community wellbeing for everyone
	Work to improve the health and wellbeing of our people in partnership with community organisations, including Manurewa Marae
	Support community-led education programmes that increase awareness of low carbon actions people can take to achieve energy efficient and healthy homes and lifestyles

	Investigate options to support the Manurewa Marae in its aspirations
	to deliver social and emergency housing onsite such as applying for the council's Cultural Initiatives funding, and consider enabling access to the adjacent reserve next door for further housing
	Work with community partners who are targeting harm reduction associated with smoking, gambling, alcohol, drug use and unhealthy diets
Older people are connected socially through age-friendly activities and opportunities	Fund and support activities that include older people and foster their community participation. This includes a specific focus on reaching older migrants
activities and apportunities	Explore commercial partnership opportunities to strengthen our Lifelong Learning Fund
Māori participation is effective and meaningful	Continue our partnership with mana whenua through the project Ara Kōtui - Improving Māori Input into Local Board Decision-making
and meaningrat	Implement new processes to enable shared decision-making by mana whenua and the local board
	Engage with key Māori organisations to increase their participation in local board planning processes
	Enable iwi to be more involved by providing a level of support that facilitates sustainable participation
Young people are engaged, have a voice and contribute positively to local life	Engage with young people to identify priority areas for youth development and participation
toodi ino	Support the development of rangatahi Māori through the Tuia mentoring programme
	Partner with police to maintain the Bluelight JAM programme
	Increase the number of formal and informal sport and recreation opportunities for young people in response to our growing youth population
People know each other, feel connected in their neighbourhoods and play a key part in shaping Manurewa	Continue our Strengthening Our Streets project with an increased focus on agile community led projects and initiatives that respond to social connection and cohesion, community participation and climate resilience
	Partner with funders to prioritise resource for Pacific communities
	Promote community capacity and leadership opportunities that enable diverse communities to work inclusively for the wellbeing of all
	Fund neighbourhood groups that foster social inclusion and improve neighbourhood safety





People feel their neighbourhoods and public places are safe and attractive Invest in evidence-based projects that focus on crime prevention, safer communities and injury prevention

Work with community partners to increase public safety, particularly in our town centres, facilities, and parks. This could include using security features such as CCTV and lighting

Advocacy

Description	Who
Confirm commitment to achieving funding equity for local boards	Governing Body
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	Governing Body
Improve council processes to enable more Māori input on key strategies and plans	Governing Body



Clendon skate park



Wattle Downs ponds

Tō Tātou Taiao

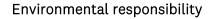
Our environment

Our environment is protected, restored and enhanced

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

The South-Eastern Plain area of Auckland which includes Manurewa (alongside Māngere-Ōtāhuhu, Howick, Papakura and Ōtara-Papatoetoe local boards) is mostly comprised of low lying, fertile plains that have been intensively developed for food production, urban or industrial use. The local board area is now largely urban (approximately 80 per cent total cover). There is four per cent land cover remaining in wetlands, forest and scrub.

It is important we preserve what we have and taking care of the environment is part of who we are. Manurewa has a wide variety of natural features for us to enjoy and care for, including the Manukau Harbour, beaches, reserves, parks and waterways.



Kaitiakitanga means more than simply guardianship. We acknowledge it is the responsibility inherited at birth to care for the environment which passes from generation to generation. Māori acknowledge the environment, and objects within it, as having not only a physical presence but also spiritual values.

Every living thing is recognised as having value and a mana, wairua (spirit) and mauri (life force) of its own. Spiritual values are as important as the physical; Māori believe the physical and spiritual aspects of a person or thing are joined by mauri to make a complete whole.

Te Puhinui

In this context, we embrace the long-term vision for <u>Te Whakaoranga o te Puhinui strategy</u> and will continue to work closely with mana whenua and the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board on this project. In 2022, we participated in the signing of Te Whakaoranga o Te Puhinui - Puhinui Regeneration charter. This strategy aims to realise the regeneration of Te Puhinui in a way that is inclusive, place-sourced, culturally-led and community-fed so that Te Puhinui and its people can thrive once more. It aims to align and build on existing relationships and projects within the catchment and the Manukau Harbour by providing frameworks and methods that will help shift Te Puhinui from its current state towards realising its potential.

We'll continue to restore our other waterways, biodiversity and indigenous flora and fauna alongside mana whenua. When it comes to <u>Pest Free Auckland</u> we'll also work with networks such as Pest Free South Auckland. Te Ahiwaru provides governance support to this network.

Manukau Harbour Forum

The Manukau Harbour Forum comprises nine local boards including Manurewa. We'll support the programme of joined-up harbour management to ensure a rich and diverse marine and land environment everyone can enjoy. We'll also continue to investigate options prevent pollutants entering our waterways through our stormwater systems. This may include wetlands and filtration options. We will also advocate for routine twice yearly stormwater sump cleaning, to mitigate flood risk.

A low-carbon community

We'll enable our community to adopt low-carbon lifestyles and live sustainably, playing our part in improving the wellbeing of our people and the planet. Manurewa will reap environmental benefits from reducing fuel use and waste and by reusing, composting and recycling resources.

In line with our efforts to become a low-carbon and sustainable community, we remain committed to a target of net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 and zero waste by 2040.

We will support businesses and households to minimise their carbon footprint by diverting organic waste from landfill, sourcing food locally and using public and active mode transport. We'll also encourage people to understand the value of the circular economy which aims to make the best use of resources, with products that are made to last and "made to be made again", such as recycling old glass into new glass products.

We enjoyed seeing the successful establishment of the Manurewa Community Recycling Centre at the Beautification Trust in Holmes Road and are in full support of the pop-up Repair Cafes operating at the Trust and at Nathan Homestead. We'll continue to advocate for a southern resource recovery park as part of the Auckland Resource Recovery Network. This will help us reuse, repurpose and recycle as many items as possible and provide environmental education and enterprise opportunities for our communities.

Illegal dumping remains an important issue in Manurewa. We'll continue to support community-led responses such as signs and targeted education and will advocate to the Governing Body for a review of the council's current inorganic collection as our communities find the current process restrictive and challenging to navigate. We'll also ask the Governing Body to investigate ways to remove barriers for residents to enable easy ways to dispose of surplus inorganic waste.

Challenges

We face some challenges in working towards realising this vision:

- responding to climate change issues is urgent
- our coastlines and popular coastal communities are vulnerable to the effects of climate change
- managing pest, animal and plant control
- increased coverage of impervious surfaces is increasing flood risks
- low tree canopy cover
- population growth is putting pressure on the environment
- high car usage affecting air quality and contributing to greenhouse gases and pollutant emissions
- stream health continues to need improvement
- ongoing illegal dumping.

Opportunities

We also have some opportunities:

- increase awareness of the notable tree schedule to protect more of our trees
- support community conversations about climate change and coastal hazards to equip us to become more resilient
- support mana whenua aspirations to protect and enhance the environment, biodiversity and water through practice of kaitiakitanga, grounded in mātauranga Māori
- using nature-based solutions for flood management
- build on the great progress that has been made in restoring and protecting our natural environment, such as awa and biodiversity, coupled with an increase in people volunteering
- strong network of environmental, waste and pest-free community champions
- promote <u>water sensitive design</u> which includes the integration of ecosystems into the built form.





Our draft plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)
We protect our natural areas, are pest free and regenerating to enhance biodiversity and ecosystems	Continue funding community pest, animal and plant control in reserves, parks, open spaces and around our facilities to help restore the natural environment through Pest Free South Auckland. This work is led by Beautification Trust and includes groups such as Tōtara Park Bush Guardians, Te Pu-a-nga Maara Awa Rangers and Pest Free Wattle Downs. Te Ahiwaru provides governance support
	Replace every tree removed from the streetscape due to damage, storms and accidents within one year
	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)
We are a low-carbon community with zero	Fund initiatives that encourage reductions in illegal dumping in priority areas such as Clendon, Rata Vine, Randwick Park and Wiri
waste	Support sustainability focused initiatives being delivered by groups such as the Beautification Trust
Our communities strengthen their resilience to disasters	Work with mana whenua and community partners to create a community emergency response plan for everyone with an extra focus on those who might need additional assistance, and review locations currently identified as community-led emergency centres
and climate change effects	Support the development of targeted and culturally appropriate initiatives that increase knowledge and awareness of climate change and build community resilience to climate impacts, such as exploring econeighbourhoods
	Support communities to be more prepared for extreme weather events by supporting community-led education and empowerment programmes, and community connectedness
	Fund the Manurewa Urban Ngahere Action Plan 2022 to grow our tree canopy cover which will complement other tree canopy planting activity taking place on a regular basis across the community
The water quality of our harbours and waterways is steadily improving	Continue our work alongside Te Ākitai Waiohua, Ngaati Te Ata Waiohua and Ngāti Tamaoho on regenerating Te Puhinui Stream and improving its ecological quality, including collaboration on Te Aka Raataa project
Stouchty Improving	Continue our support for clean waterways, the removal of open concrete water channelling, and identification and removal of barriers that prevent fish moving freely between and within freshwater ecosystems
	Continue to work with Papakura and Franklin Local Boards to restore the Papakura Stream



Continue our commitment to improving water quality at our local beaches by funding regular water quality testing and reporting

Investigate options for the prevention of pollutants entering our waterways through our stormwater systems. This may include wetlands and filtration options, and prevention of discharge from industry and other sources



Description	Who
Allocate funding in the 10-year Budget to create a resource recovery park for the south	Governing Body
Review the council's current inorganic collection as our communities find the current process restrictive and challenging to navigate, leading to illegal dumping, and investigate ways to remove barriers for residents to enable easy ways to dispose of surplus inorganic waste	Governing Body
Allocate equitable funding to implement adaptation strategies from the Shoreline Adaptation Plan for Pahurehure Inlet, Manukau East and Manukau North	Governing Body
Allocate additional funding from the Climate Action Targeted Rate or Natural Environment Targeted Rate to plant new trees in our parks and streets to help increase tree canopy cover	Governing Body
Maintain clearance of stormwater sumps twice yearly as a routine and ongoing service to mitigate flood risk	Governing Body
Apply stronger requirements and powers for the protection and enhancement of urban ngahere	Central Government







Pukepuke / Nathan Homestead

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our community

Our communities enjoy responsive services and facilities that enable great participation

Our facilities and public places are popular gathering points that adapt well to changing community needs. They offer choices for people from different backgrounds and life-stages to take part in sports, recreation, creativity and play.

Community participation

Increasing community participation is important for Manurewa as a highly ethnically diverse area with several wellbeing challenges. We recognise that 72 per cent of our community live in areas of Deprivation Index 8, 9 and 10 compared to the Auckland average of 30 per cent. This equates to almost 70,000 Manurewa residents.

Deprivation Index measures socio-economic deprivation with Deprivation Index 8, 9 and 10 representing the most deprived areas in New Zealand. People in more deprived areas are more vulnerable to the risks that tend to drive poorer health outcomes.

It is important we respond to this. According to the <u>Quality of Life Survey 2022</u>, over a third of residents (35 per cent) in Manurewa said they were in poor or fair physical health, and this was similar to the proportion

reporting fair or poor mental health (31 per cent). However, there has been a positive increase from 31 per cent to 43 per cent of people being active at the recommended level of 5 plus days a week. This is significantly higher than the Auckland total (34 per cent). This is encouraging.

We will continue to seek opportunities to lift the level of physical activity, including through active modes of transport and improve long-term physical and mental health outcomes. At the 2018 Census 25.8 per cent of Manurewa Local Board's population was under 15, compared to 20.0 per cent of the whole of Auckland. We will explore ways to provide more variety in play experiences across Manurewa.

We'll also respond to our community's concern about food security. Already, the cost-of-living crisis is having significant effects on our families. Equitable access to fresh, healthy, low carbon (local, plant based, low processing) food is essential to community health and resilience as well as delivering broader social, environmental, climate and economic benefits. Fast food outlets are concentrated in areas of high deprivation, and it is important that alternative healthy food options are available. We've started work on locally-led food sovereignty and are initiating ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa. We will use the Good Food Road Map to help us.

Community infrastructure

Community infrastructure supports community participation through the provision of services and spaces for people to interact. There are barriers that prevent people from accessing services and facilities, such as affordability, physical access, social and cultural barriers. These are particularly important in Manurewa given the greater proportion of people on lower incomes and a very culturally diverse community.

However, the council's maintenance of its current asset portfolio and associated service provision is increasingly unsustainable financially, with the bulk of available funding consumed in servicing ageing infrastructure.

We are being asked to focus on shifting the way we invest in community services including moving towards renewing priority assets, reducing our asset portfolio and expanding the provision of tailored and alternative service delivery such as through integration of services, partnerships, grants and digital channels.

Manurewa is already underfunded in the area of assets and has been since 2010. We are reluctant to reduce our already limited asset portfolio, and in fact want to maintain our focus on advocating for equity of funding distribution to ensure our current and any new public facilities and spaces are welcoming, accessible, meet the demands of our diverse communities and improve climate resilience. Another option is to make some of our park land available to those community groups who have the funding to build and run their own community facilities. We have done this already with the Clendon Reserve concept plan which includes intention to provide space for a Pasifika hub.

We also want to do our bit to contribute to mitigating the effects of climate change. Manurewa Pool and Leisure Centre will soon have solar panels installed on its roof. We'd like to see the installation of more solar panels across our community facilities and will encourage households to do the same. We know that reducing emissions and increasing the resiliency of our assets will be key outcomes of renewal and regeneration projects going forward.



Social and active recreation

Our parks, sports fields and community facilities are heavily used, support wellbeing and draw people together to socialise, learn, relax, exercise and have fun. Local groups and sports clubs are adapting to the needs of growing and changing communities, and we want to ensure our public facilities, spaces and services do the same.

We recognise that by 2030, Manurewa is expected to have the highest shortfall for weekday floodlit hours on playing fields across the southern local boards, and third highest behind Waitemata and Howick. It also has the lowest proportion of sand-based fields comparative to all other local boards and one of the lowest numbers of hybrid or artificial fields.

To get more people taking part in community, sports, recreational and creative activities, we need them to feel proud of, connected to, and enjoying the public and community places where they spend time. We will continue to focus on priorities defined in our 2022 Manurewa Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan to support this activity. This includes supporting sports clubs to undertake capital improvements. In addition, we will prioritise sand carpeting, lighting, and training hours across the network in Manurewa as funding allows. We will consider the need to future proof with improved irrigation in response to the potential for extended dry periods during summer, which we expect to be more prevalent with a changing climate.

Creative expression

You've told us you enjoy local events, arts, and festivals. These also strengthen community connections, while building a sense of belonging and pride. We'll identify ways to showcase the outstanding talents of our culturally diverse communities through different projects. Unleashing and supporting local talent helps to keep our arts and culture vibrant and strong. We will encourage local groups to keep staging artistic and cultural activities that make Manurewa what it is.

We want to explore the implementation of an arts broker programme to help us do this, including translating creative talent into career pathways. We are proud of our arts centre Nathan Homestead Pukepuke. We will continue to support this and our two libraries to provide access to the world of creative expression, innovation, information, knowledge and ideas. We are fortunate to have the Botanic Gardens on our back doorstep. This regional facility also provides many creative experiences.

Kia ora te ahurea: Māori identity and culture

Our partnership with mana whenua on <u>Te Kete Rukuruku</u> is one way we can help increase the visibility and experience of Māori identity and culture. This ongoing project involves dual naming of our parks and reserves to include te reo Māori, with accompanying storytelling and new signs. The names and stories are agreed and gifted by mana whenua. We'd like to strengthen the visibility and appreciation of these stories and will seek to identify ways to achieve this. We'll look for other opportunities to increase visibility such as supporting the installation of Māori public artworks, celebrating key events, or using te reo Māori and te ao Māori (the Māori world) design elements in our council places and spaces.

Children's play

For children and young people play is essential to their physical, social and emotional development and well-being. As part of our focus on providing more variety in play experiences across Manurewa, we'll look at play spaces that would benefit from a te ao Māori approach to play, including the use of te reo Māori. We'll also deliver a play plan that identifies, develops and promotes accessible play opportunities that encourage the activation of parks and reserves without playgrounds, together with community play champions, and advocate for the provision of informal play-friendly furniture in our public places.

Challenges

We face some challenges in working towards realising this vision:

- lack of frequent and reliable public transport to access our spaces and places
- lack of connectivity for people who use active modes of transport
- strain on some local community groups and clubs to maintain their facilities located on council land
- lack of quality play spaces for all ages including basketball half courts
- resources are limited which puts stress on community groups.

Opportunities

We also have some opportunities:

- contribute to improving people's health and wellbeing
- review the use of some our leased assets to see if we can consolidate the portfolio and provide higher quality shared facilities
- local boards now have increased decision-making over local assets and services, enabling a range of options to be pursued
- expand the number of community groups who deliver local activities and identify ways to increase delivery of no-cost play experiences across the local board area
- promote more backyard and community gardens, helping to improve food security and sustainable living
- increase opportunities for Māori identity and culture across Manurewa, using te reo Māori and te ao Māori design elements in council places and spaces
- identify and work with commercial partners to help progress our facility priorities.

Our draft plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	
People can easily access free social and recreational activity	Partner with grassroots community groups to enable more recreational activities in our facilities and parks that support people's physical, social and mental wellbeing	
	Identify options for recreational activities to support people being casually active, e.g. more basketball courts, and exercise opportunities for all ages and abilities	
Our open space and sports field network meets the demands of our diverse communities particularly in high growth areas	Maintain momentum to deliver improved sports fields and lighting at War Memorial Park and deliver further improvements such as more sand carpeting, lighting and training hours across the network in Manurewa to bring us up in line with the rest of Auckland, as funding allows	





	Continue development of the park and recreation space on Clendon Reserve as funding allows	
	Support our Pacific communities to deliver a Pasifika hub on Clendon Reserve	
	Investigate provision of a new public toilet facility at Mountfort Park	
	Continue partnering with community groups to deliver the Totara Park masterplan as funding allows	
	Investigate options to support Ngāti Tamaoho aspirations for a cultural hub at Te Pua/Keith Park	
	Continue to prioritise actions under the David Nathan Park reserve management and conservation plans such as landscaping and accessibility	
	Develop a multi-park management plan that manages the use, development and protection of all parks, reserves and open spaces in the Manurewa Local Board area	
	Implement the Manurewa Urban Ngahere Action Plan 2022 to increase tree canopy cover in local parks	
Facilities and public spaces are welcoming, inclusive and promote wellbeing and sustainability outcomes	Revitalise existing parks and play spaces including Rowandale Reserve and Tairanga/Tington Reserve	
	Undertake comprehensive renewals at Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre, Te Pātaka Kōrero o Waimāhia (library), and Te Pātaka Kōrero o Manurewa (library)	
	Investigate options to extend what the Manurewa Pool and Leisure Centre can offer using the outdoor area immediately surrounding the facility	
Our communities experience food security	Continue to support Auckland Teaching Gardens and fund other community food initiatives such as local food markets and community gardens	
	Continue to fund locally-led food sovereignty and initiate ways to strengthen community-led food systems in Manurewa	
Climate change and sustainability initiatives are visible within our local facilities	Investigate options for the installation of more solar panels across our community facilities in partnership with power companies and encourage households to do the same	
	Make our community facilities available for third parties and community-based energy projects to invest in electric vehicle charging, renewable energy and battery storage	
Māori heritage and identity are an intrinsic part of who we are and what we experience every day	Continue our partnership with mana whenua to deliver Te Kete Rukuruku which includes Māori naming of parks and reserves. Identify opportunities to promote the narratives that come with the names	
	Increase opportunities for the expression of Māori arts and culture, e.g. through Waitangi Day, Matariki and Te Wiki o te Reo Māori/Māori Language Week activities	

	Support our libraries to provide more opportunities to learn about te ao Māori and te reo Māori, including mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge), traditions and practices
	Partner with mana whenua, Manurewa Marae and Māori organisations to showcase and celebrate Māori culture, stories and identity
Children have lots of options for casual or informal play	Work with local play champions to develop and deliver a Manurewa play plan
	Identify potential play spaces to incorporate te ao Māori, including the use of te reo Māori
	Support initiatives that provide opportunities for children and young people and families to play
	Include children and young people in decision-making about play, facilities and programmes to be designed for them
Creative talent is visible and celebrated	Investigate the feasibility of an arts broker programme to nurture creative expression
	Recognise and celebrate the existing and emerging talent, leadership or community contribution of local people and groups
	Fund networked community groups to stage vibrant, successful and unique multicultural arts, events or festivals that celebrate our diversity

Levels of service

We would like to strengthen our engagement with our Full Facilities maintenance contractors and support them to increase their levels of service. This includes maintenance and repair of all assets across buildings, parks, open spaces, and sports fields, town centre cleaning, street litter bin emptying, vegetation clearance, and berm mowing works. We would also like to see an increase in the use of local contractors and local iwi suppliers.

Advocacy

Description	Who
Allocate funding of \$1.7 million to replace the roof leaks at Manurewa Netball and Community Centre. As a local asset, the local board is being asked to pay for these repairs. This means other assets in desperate need of maintenance will be compromised due to the lack of available budget	Governing Body
Allocate an equitable funding distribution to ensure our public facilities and spaces are welcoming, meet the demands of our diverse communities and deliver sustainability outcomes	Governing Body



Identify opportunities to design and deliver good local play outcomes in public places through a range of projects such as street furniture, town centre refurbishments, tree-climbing and nature play in parks	Auckland Transport Eke Panuku Kāinga Ora Private housing developers
Improve Māori outcome performance measures for greater accountability and to maintain momentum on progress including creating the ability for Māori communities to influence how funding is allocated	Governing Body





Manurewa interchange

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our places

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

Urban growth

Over recent years, Manurewa has undergone significant residential and business development, and this is set to continue. The number of dwellings consented grew by 31 per cent from 2020 to 2021 with over 80 per cent of those dwellings being higher density housing. While sometimes a controversial topic, fewer standalone houses means we are increasing the efficiency of land use and reducing our carbon footprint in an area with good transport links.

However, in the 2020 Auckland Prosperity Index Report, Manurewa is much lower than the regional average in terms of connectedness which measures the degree to which individuals can access work opportunities and engage with broader social networks. This reflects the area's longer commutes to work and lower levels of internet access at home.

Therefore, the gains made in housing in Manurewa need to be combined with less commuting for work and education to ensure residents can access the things they need closer to home and thereby reduce their

contribution to Auckland's transport emissions. This includes prioritising high-quality development around transport and employment hubs.

Future development area

Manurewa sits on the southern rail line and has a well-used train station and transport interchange. The Auckland Unitary Plan provides for significant Terrace Housing and Apartment Buildings (THAB) zoning around the Manurewa town centre, with a lesser amount around Clendon local centre. It is important to acknowledge that increasing flood challenges may inhibit some growth in the future.

An Integrated Area Plan for Manurewa, Takanini and Papakura was completed in 2017. It identifies key regeneration opportunities in Manurewa that can be activated in conjunction with public and private agencies. We will continue to use this plan, ensuring alignment with the Future Development Strategy, to guide our development around the Great South Road corridor. This includes completing the redevelopment of the areas surrounding Te Mahia station.

Our area is also rich in its cultural diversity. We want our infrastructure – whether it's business, transport or community amenities – to reflect our unique Māori heritage, Pacific culture, our growing Asian population, and all other ethnicities.

The Crown has large land holdings in both Clendon and Manurewa and there is the potential for larger scale redevelopment in the area in the longer term. We need to be prepared for this, including preserving our treasured green spaces.

Transform Manukau

It is important that Manurewa residents have access to, and can benefit from, what is happening in Manukau, the largest and most established of Auckland's nodes outside the city centre. Its civic, retail, education and cultural facilities provide for the wider population of the south.

Manukau is currently undergoing major transformation that fosters and builds on the existing pride, values and culture of its people. The momentum of change and development in this area will drive demand for a more diverse range of services and activities. Significant growth is expected in Manukau over the next 30 years and the number of jobs is expected to increase by over 22,500 to around 56,000.

In the immediate future, we will continue to engage with the <u>Transform Manukau programme</u> with a specific focus on key move one – realising the potential of the Puhinui Stream as referenced earlier in the theme Our Environment – and key move three – developing the Wiri healthy neighbourhood.

Transport

We have funded projects to make our streets safer using our Local Board Transport Capital Fund and we have partnered with Auckland Transport (AT) to improve transport for our communities. We have consistently advocated your views on transport priorities to decision-makers such as AT and Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency and we will continue to do this. This includes advocacy to AT for adequate active mode and public transport options, and improved road maintenance and renewals to increase the resilience of the roading network.

Road safety

Safety across all forms of transport is a top priority, but particularly on our roads. Our investment in speed calming and traffic safety has reduced the number of deaths and serious injuries on our roads, however there is still more work to be done. We will continue to support the Vision Zero goal of having no deaths or serious injuries on our transport network by 2050.

Public transport

We're aiming for better transport connections across our area, joining parks and community amenities, transport hubs, town centres and industrial areas. The Manurewa and Clendon shopping centres provide valuable services, including doctors, libraries, banks and pharmacies. We'll advocate to increase the frequency and capacity of trains and buses to and from these town centres, linking more of our communities to public transport hubs and reducing car dependency.

Active transport

Active forms of transport, such as walking and cycling, contribute to the health and wellbeing of our community, as well as reducing carbon emissions and traffic congestion. We are blessed with beautiful coastal walkways that support leisure and recreation. Creating safer and more accessible connections for walkers, cyclists, users of e-bikes and e-scooters, and people with pushchairs or on mobility scooters is the goal of our 2019 local paths plan, so we'll be focusing on its priorities. This includes talking to property developers about incorporating these connections into any early designs.

The board will keep working with AT to improve maintenance of footpaths. We will also investigate options for more cycleways/cycle paths on public land and on land managed by utility companies that provide essential public services such as electricity, gas, power, water and telecommunications.

We'll also advocate for climate action funding to create a walking and cycling connection, including a bridge across the Papakura Stream between Manurewa and Waiata Shores, to link active transport users to the Great South Road, Te Mahia train station and the State Highway 1 cycle path.

Challenges

We face some challenges in working towards realising this vision:

- population growth is putting pressure on community and essential infrastructure
- increasing congestion, high car dependency and lack of resilience of the public transport network
- the board has a limited decision-making role in wider transport matters.

Opportunities

We also have some opportunities:

- as neighbourhoods change with housing intensification, there will be an opportunity to develop infrastructure that suits our communities
- proper infrastructure, amenities and local employment opportunities in high density growth areas enable individuals to lead low-carbon lifestyles
- Manukau is undergoing transformation that benefits our residents
- population density means increased demand on public transport which should lead to increased public transport provision
- we can influence planning and infrastructure projects to deliver efficient public and active modes of transport, roads and public amenities.





Our draft plan

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	What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)
g w	The Great South Road corridor is a great place to live and do business with an integrated regional transport hub	Support the growth and redevelopment around the town centre that involves key development sites and quality residential intensification, including appropriate waste and stormwater management
		Work with AT and other partners to finish redeveloping the areas surrounding Te Mahia station to create a stronger presence and connection to Great South Road and the surrounding neighbourhood
		Explore ways to increase the attractiveness of Manurewa Town Centre, including more planting and installation of artworks that reflect the Māori identity of Manurewa
- 1	Cultural diversity is reflected in our amenities	Identify opportunities to ensure our public amenities are welcoming to all, with inclusive design and architecture
	Manurewa residents benefit from developments taking place in Manukau	Continue to work with Eke Panuku on the Transform Manukau programme
	Our streets and paths are safe and easy to use	Continue working with AT to improve road safety and slow traffic throughout Manurewa in line with Vision Zero principles
		Focus on areas in our local paths plan to strengthen the network of safe and enjoyable ways for people to get around, including providing children and young people with opportunities to explore their community independently
		Continue to work with AT to improve the maintenance levels of our roads, footpaths, bus stops and bus shelters
		Work with AT to set speed limits in our area especially around schools
n	Transport options encourage a mode shift from private car use, are easy to access and meet diverse community needs	Continue to work with AT to ensure our train stations are safe, accessible and connect to public transport and active transport modes
		Investigate opportunities for more cycleways/cycle paths on public land and on land managed by utility companies that provide essential public services such as electricity, gas, power, water and telecommunications
		Continue to support the free Manurewa Link Manurewatanga Link bus service

Advocacy

Description	Who
Reinstate local board transport funding to the pre-COVID-19 level of \$21 million per annum	Auckland Transport
Allocate adequate funding to ensure improved road maintenance and renewals to improve the roading network	Auckland Transport
Prioritise Manurewa for the installation of red-light cameras to reduce speeding and running of red lights which causes danger and potential harm	Auckland Transport
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 and reducing car dependency	Auckland Transport
Increase the number of shared paths with a priority focus on main transport routes	Auckland Transport
Allocate climate action funding to create a walking and cycling connection, including a bridge across the Papakura Stream between Manurewa and Waiata Shores, to link active transport users to the Great South Road, Te Mahia train station and the State Highway 1 cycle path, in partnership with Papakura Local Board	Auckland Transport, Governing Body, Waka Kotahi



Barrowcliffe Bridge



Southmall

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our economy

Our local economy is strong, and our town centres are thriving

People can live, work and play close to home. Businesses want to invest here, local people can get quality local jobs, and young people are well prepared for, and engaged in, the workforce.

A growing economy

Manurewa has a strong local economy and two active business associations. The Manurewa Business Association encompasses Manurewa and Clendon town centres, while the Wiri Business Association represents one of the largest industrial districts in New Zealand. Both associations are Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), which promote economic growth in their areas. The Manurewa town centre is a local transport hub, with a bus interchange and has one of the busiest train stations on the southern network. We will support the Manurewa and Wiri business associations in their aspirations to assist local businesses and increase local economic activity including for Māori and Pacific businesses.

According to Infometrics, between 2016 and 2021 our economy grew at an annual rate of 2.6 per cent, slightly above the Auckland region's growth of 2.5 per cent. COVID-19 significantly affected economic growth across the Auckland region, and between 2020-2021 Manurewa experienced negative growth of -1.8

per cent. However, this was less than the decline in the growth rate in the Auckland region of -2.8 per cent. Manurewa town centre has also been affected by COVID-19. Spending in Manurewa between 2017-2022 declined by -1.9 per cent, compared to growth of 13.6 per cent regionally.

Manurewa is one of the region's least prosperous local board areas with lower household incomes, significant social need and a higher level of unemployment which has remained above the regional average over the last five years. However, the number of jobs in the area has grown at a faster rate than regionally.

Youth opportunities

More of our young people leave school without the skills and qualifications needed to find well-paid, sustainable employment and without being enrolled in tertiary study. We have a low proportion of residents educated to degree level or higher. Fewer school leavers from Manurewa leave with NCEA Level 2 and NCEA Level 3. This gap widened following COVID-19, as young people found themselves having to prioritise immediate income for themselves and their families over continuing their education. If we want to grow prosperity for our community, we need to find ways to encourage our young people to complete their school education. They need the opportunity to attain qualifications that will enable them to access higher paid, more sustainable employment, and prepare them for the transition to a low carbon, circular and resilient economy.

The local board will continue working with partner organisations to make the right support available, so our young people are well positioned to make the most of meaningful and sustainable career pathways.

Local employment

Manurewa had the second highest amount of business floorspace consented in 2020/2021 reflecting the strong presence of manufacturing and wholesale trade and further development in the employment area of Wiri. Education and health also provide many local employment opportunities.

There has been recent growth in the number of managerial construction jobs, education professionals, protective service workers and salespeople. Increasing the proportion of knowledge intensive industries in the area would improve the availability of quality local jobs. There are several manufacturing sectors that are more strongly represented in Manurewa including textiles, chemicals, food and meat manufacture, and wood and paper products.

Encouraging these sectors to adapt to climate impacts and transition into a low-carbon economy will be important. This might include using local clean energy solutions, transitioning away from fossil fuel dependence in manufacturing, and finding circular solutions for waste.

We know most of our people working outside Manurewa travel by car, so we'll advocate for improved public transport options to ensure residents are able to travel easily to employment locations outside of the local board area. This needs to accommodate those residents who work shifts, often at night. We support the regeneration of Manukau as a key employment hub for Manurewa residents.

Accelerating prosperity

We want to explore funding a local economic broker to champion local businesses and help identify and take advantage of economic opportunities to grow local prosperity and employment. This broker would be dedicated to accelerating local economic initiatives and programmes in partnership with local businesses and other groups in Manurewa and would include a specific focus on working with local iwi. The broker would leverage links across the Auckland Council group to ensure local businesses are informed of relevant economic opportunities and identify ways to reduce barriers in the council's procurement processes for Māori businesses.





We'll also continue to support the efforts of <u>The Southern Initiative</u> (TSI) to create shared prosperity. TSI wants south Auckland to benefit from inclusive growth where social and economic development are clearly linked. This work includes a key focus on Māori and Pasifika.

Challenges

We face some challenges in working towards realising this vision:

- improving sense of pride and overcoming negative perceptions of the town centres associated with social issues such as crime and drugs
- unemployment remains above the regional average
- many young people leave school without the skills and qualifications needed to reach their full potential, contribute to society and achieve job satisfaction
- a number of residents continue to travel out of the area for work by car due to lack of good public transport options, and safe and simple ways to get to transport hubs.

Opportunities

We also have some opportunities:

- promote our town centres as tidy, attractive, safe and accessible community hubs
- leverage the proximity of Wiri to improve employment opportunities for locals
- investigate funding a dedicated local economic resource responsible for identifying ways to accelerate prosperity
- strengthen the potential of the Māori economy by supporting Māori business initiatives and economic aspirations
- we have great connections to the city centre and south by train
- support young people's employment opportunities with future-focussed and innovative education and training experiences.

Our draft plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)
Our local economy continues to grow	Support the Manurewa and Wiri business associations in their aspirations to assist local businesses and increase local economic activity including for Māori and Pacific businesses
	Work with the Manurewa Business Association on activities that create interest, promote a sense of safety and bring more people to our two town centres
	Support local providers to compete for council contracts

	Investigate the feasibility of a covered Manurewa night market that prioritises local stall holders, ensures access is affordable and promotes zero waste and healthy food options
Local ventures enjoy economic success, innovation and enterprise	Create opportunities for new local business ventures and community and social enterprises to engage with commercial partners to access start-up funding and engage in circular business opportunities
	Design and deliver an initiative that recognises and celebrates the excellence of our local businesses
	Investigate funding a local economic broker to support businesses leverage local economic development outcomes and to promote local skills, talents and resources to business. This resource would include a specific focus on enabling Māori economic outcomes
Young people have the skills and training needed for quality, sustainable employment	Encourage partner organisations to liaise with the Manurewa Youth Council when developing initiatives that increase the number of young people in training, helping them gain the skills needed to secure quality, sustainable employment
	Provide more ways to support youth development, including the continued delivery of our successful rangatahi youth grants
	Continue to support the Young Enterprise Scheme through local secondary schools
	Support programmes that equip rangatahi (youth) with skills for high quality sustainable jobs, including entrepreneurship and social enterprise, and prepare them for the transition to a low carbon, circular and resilient economy
Māori and Pasifika are engaged in creating and sharing the benefits of a fairer economy for south Auckland	Support The Southern Initiative's work on delivering an economic model for south Auckland that enables Māori and Pasifika to grow wealth and benefit from participating in this economy





Advocacy

Description	Who
Ensure youth services recognise the important place of pastoral care and cultural safety in rangatahi education and employment	Youth providers
Apply stronger requirements for Governing Body and council-controlled organisations to buy goods and services that create local employment opportunities, especially for young people	Governing Body
Improve public transport options to ensure residents can travel easily to employment locations outside of the local board area noting many residents are engaged in shift work	Governing Body Auckland Transport
Improve council procurement processes that act as a barrier to Māori businesses	Governing Body



Browns Road

He kõrero take pütea

Funding information

The local board funding policy sets out how local boards are funded to meet the costs of providing local activities and administration support.

Local board funding is approved through the council's budget-setting process. This involves the council's Governing Body adopting a 10-year budget (long-term plan) every three years and an annual budget every year. Local board agreements, in which the local board and the governing body agree the local board budget for each year, make up part of the annual budget.

The council's budget-setting process involves allocating funding gathered through revenue sources such a s rates and user charges. It also involves setting levels of service for council activities and corresponding performance targets.

The financial and levels of service statements in this plan are based on the information included in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 and updated through subsequent annual plans. Updated financial information and levels of service will be adopted as part of the long-term plan which is due to be adopted in June 2024. The 10-year Budget 2024-2034 will be informed by the local board plans and may impact the initiatives in this local board plan.



Kaupapa ā-rohe me ngā paerewa ā-mahi

Local activities and levels of service

The current 10-year Budget 2021-2031 outlines local board responsibilities, provided for directly in legislation or allocated to boards, are summarised into local activities and levels of service statements. These are described in the table below.

More information regarding levels of services, including performance measures and performance targets, can be found in the Manurewa Local Board Agreement 2023/2024 and in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 (Vol 2 section 2.6). This is available on the council website.

Local Activities

Level of service statements

Local Community Services

We support strong, diverse, and vibrant communities through libraries and literacy, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers Provide safe, reliable, and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities

Utilising the Empowered Communities Approach, we support Aucklanders to create thriving, connected and inclusive communities

We provide safe and accessible parks, reserves, beaches, recreation programmes, opportunities and facilitates to get Aucklanders more active, more often

We showcase Auckland's Māori identity and vibrant Māori culture

We fund, enable, and deliver services, programmes, and facilities (art facilities, community centres, hire venues, and libraries) that enhance identity, connect people, and support Aucklanders to participate in community and civic life

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 We help attract investment, businesses and a skilled workforce to Auckland

Local Environmental Management

We support healthy ecosystems and sustainability through local board-funded initiatives such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.

We work with Aucklanders to manage the natural environment and enable low carbon lifestyles to build resilience to the effects of climate change

Local Governance

Activities in this group support the local board to engage with and represent their communities and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, leadership of the preparation of local board plans, support in developing the local board agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

The measures for this group of activities are covered under the Regional Governance group of activities in the Long-term Plan which determine participation with Auckland Council decision making in general. This includes local decision-making





Financial overview

Revenue, expenditure and capital investment by local activities for the Manurewa Local Board for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Annual Plan Financials	2023/2024 (\$000s)
Operating revenue	
Local community services	3,510
Local planning and development	-
Local environment management	-
Total operating revenue	3,510
Operating expenditure	
Local community services	15,540
Local planning and development	1,154
Local environment management	192
Local governance	1,214
Total operating expenditure	18,100
Net operating expenditure	14,590
Capital expenditure	
Local community services	9,401
Local planning and development	-
Local environment management	-
Local governance	-
Total capital expenditure	9,401

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