



Manurewa Local Board Plan 2023 Summary of Feedback



# Summary of feedback on the draft Manurewa Local Board Plan 2023

### **Purpose**

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

#### **Executive Summary**

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

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

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

### **Engagement Approach**

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

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

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

### Mana whenua engagement

A co-ordinated approach was taken by local boards so that mana whenua were invited to engage with relevant local boards in one hui rather than receiving separate invitations from each local board. For the Manurewa Local Board, engagement took place with Ara Kōtui, a roopu comprising of the five southern local boards (Papakura/Manurewa/Franklin/Māngere-Ōtāhuhu/Ōtara-Papatoetoe) and mana whenua representatives through two hui held on 6 June and 8 August.

Mana whenua were sent a copy of the draft local board plan in June 2023 and encouraged to provide written feedback. No formal submission feedback was received by mana whenua however ongoing informal discussions are held regularly.

#### Mataawaka engagement

No specific activities took place to engage with mataawaka during the early engagement and consultation periods. However, the Manurewa Local Board have strong relationships with the Manurewa Marae on an ongoing basis through existing relationships and member Rangi McClean.

## Stakeholder and community engagement

Table 1: Summary of early engagement activities

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Elected Member Lead – Consultation	Bike Te Whenua Group Members	20
Bike Te Whenua Group		
Elected Member Lead – Consultation	General Public	20
Nathan Homestead		
Elected Member Lead - Consultation	General Public	10
Botanic Gardens		
Youth Focus Group	Manurewa Youth Council	20
Pizza Submission Party	Youth from community	
Sikh Community Consultation	Leaders from the Sikh Community	20
Elected Member Lead - Consultation	Hillpark residents	5
Hillpark Residents & Ratepayers		
Elected Member Lead - Consultation	General Public	200
Hillpark Residents Event – Save Nathan Homestead	Hillpark residents	
Elected Member Lead - Consultation	Members of the Baptist Church community	80
Baptist Church	Community	
Elected Member Lead – Consultation	Weymouth Rugby Club Members	15
Weymouth Rugby Club		
Elected Member Lead - Consultation	General Public	10
Randwick Park		
Youth Focus Group	Manurewa High Students	20
Manurewa High	Manurewa Youth Council	
Youth Focus Group	Alfriston College Students	20
Alfriston College	Manurewa Youth Council	
Manurewa LB SCP Consultatoon	General	150
Have Your Say Event - Our World Our Rewa	Public/Stakeholders/Community groups	
Elected Member Lead – Consultation	Members of the Solomon Group	35
The Solomon Group		





Table 2: Summary of consultation activities during the consultation period

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Youth Focus Group – Manurewa High	Manurewa Youth Council	30
	Students	
Manurewa Library Activation	General Public	70
Youth Focus Group – Alfriston College	Manurewa Youth Council	7
	Students	
Manurewa Local Board SCP Event	General Public/Community	50
Drop in Event- Manurewa Library	groups/Stakeholders	
Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre and Library - Activation	General Public	20
Pasifika Consultation	Member Andrew Lesa	60
	Pasifika Community	

#### Generic submissions to all boards

9 organisations provided submissions to all local boards. Relevant content is included in the sections below.

- Aktive
- Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society
- Big Street Bikers
- The Tree Council
- Disabled Persons Assembly NZ
- Civic Trust Auckland
- Bike Auckland
- Community Groups Feeding the Homeless in Auckland
- Community Cat Coalition Inc.

# **Summary of feedback**

#### **Māori Outcomes**

Delivering outcomes for Māori is an important feature of the Manurewa Local Board Plan.

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

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

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 Tamaki Makaurau Outcome	Objective in the plan	Initiatives
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, sustainable employment	Provide ways to develop young people, including the continued delivery of our successful rangatahi youth grants
		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 communityled 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
		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

Kia Ora Tamaki Makaurau Outcome	Objective in the plan	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 to PFSA
Kia ora te whanau: 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
		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





	Kia Ora Tamaki Makaurau Outcome	Objective in the plan	Initiatives
•		Advocacy to Governing Body	Improve council procurement processes that act as a barrier to Māori businesses
	Kia hāngai te Kaunihera – An empowered organisation	Advocacy to Governing Body	Improve council processes to enable more Māori input on key strategies and plans
			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

No specific consultation questions were asked but below are responses received in general relating to Māori outcomes.

- Create space for Māori to connect
- Comments that demonstrate people don't understand our obligations to Māori
- Māori and Pasifika rangatahi to be able to connect more about their passions and give them an avenue to embrace and express their cultures
- A specific focus on creating opportunities for employment and increasing business opportunities for Māori and Pacific in Manurewa

The general feedback below was received from attendees at Ara Kōtui Hui, held on 6 June and 15 August 2023 relating to the Southern Local Board plans:

- Recognition of te Tiriti and the partnership it creates between mana whenua and local boards
- Clear recognition of and support for the role of mana whenua iwi and their marae within the community
- Support for existing mana whenua projects, especially where they overlap with (or duplicate) local board projects and outcomes
- Strengthening mutual understanding and knowledge of each other's views when giving feedback to council and other organisations (e.g. to Kainga Ora)
- Working in partnership with mana whenua on environment and climate change projects, acknowledging the special role of mana whenua as kaitiaki in addressing our challenges
- Potential for partnering with mana whenua to attract 3rd party funding to help get applications over the line

#### Climate action

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

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

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





Objective in the plan	Initiatives
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

No specific consultation questions were asked but below are responses received in general relating to Climate Action outcomes.

- Shoreline adaption, erosion concerns, harbour restorations and Pahurehure inlet restoration
- Housing around Manurewa Marae. Manurewa marae is an urban marae. The position of the Marae on the foreshore is concern because of climate change. How would this effect housing?
- We should have a greener environment by using less gas and EV cars for the environment.
- Implement a plan to use more renewable energy such as using more solar power or build more electric car charge stations.

Waste education/management

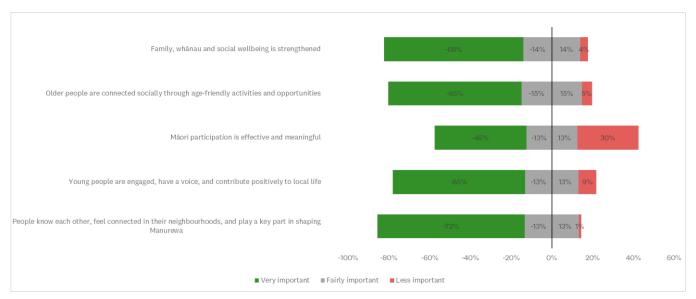
#### **Our People**

The Manurewa Local Board want our community to be resilient, connected and engaged. Take pride in Manurewa, enjoy quality of life, diversity and a sense of safety and connection.

The Manurewa Local Board will advocate to the Governing Body for;

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

The Manurewa community were asked to rate Manurewa Local Board's 'Our People' objectives from very important to less important and results are shown in the below graph.



Key themes from the feedback included:

- More focus on seniors/elders needed
- Homelessness concerns and support for people
- Support -youth spaces, youth council and youth centre
- Beautification of Manurewa, being proud, lifting the area
- Roaming dog concerns and safety
- Crime concerns safety, dirt bike, gangs, tagging, train stations unsafe, drug dealing, lighting

#### **Our Environment**

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

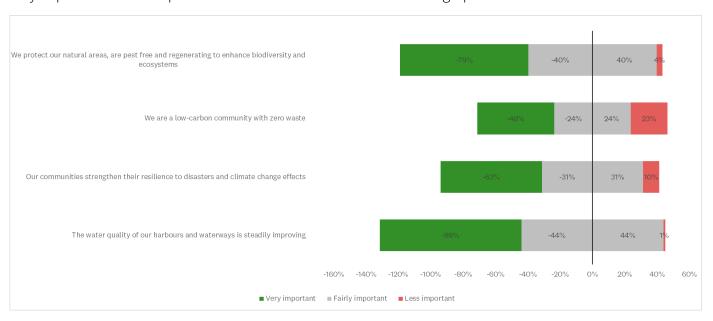
The Manurewa Local Board will advocate to the Governing Body and Central Government for;





- Allocate funding in the 10-year Budget to create a resource recovery park for the south
- 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
- Allocate equitable funding to implement adaptation strategies from the Shoreline Adaptation Plan for Pahurehure Inlet, Manukau East and Manukau North
- 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
- Maintain clearance of stormwater sumps twice yearly as a routine and ongoing service to mitigate flood risk
- Apply stronger requirements and powers for the protection and enhancement of urban ngahere

The Manurewa community were asked to rate Manurewa Local Board's 'Our Environment' objectives from very important to less important and results are shown in the below graph.



Key themes from the feedback included:

- Pest, animal and plants control continuation
- Shoreline protection, properties protected by coastal erosion measures, streams and rivers restored to natural states, harbour protections, Pahurehure regeneration
- Waste concerns
- Maintenance of drains/flooding
- More tree planting

#### **Our Community**

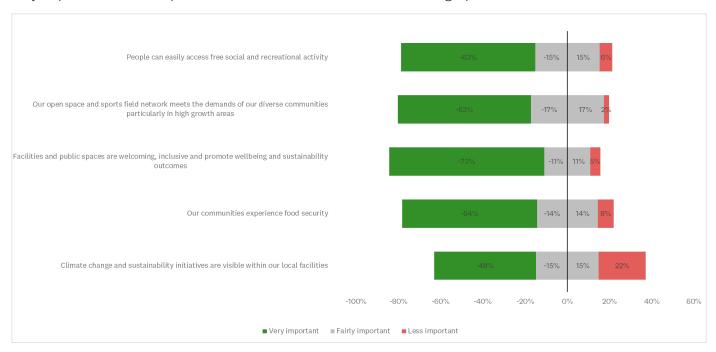
Our communities enjoy responsive services and facilities that enable great participation. Our facilities and public places are popular gathering points that adapt well to changing community needs. They offer choices for people from different backgrounds and life-stages to take part in sports, recreation,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

The Manurewa Local Board will advocate for;



- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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

The Manurewa community were asked to rate Manurewa Local Board's 'Our Community' objectives from very important to less important and results are shown in the below graph.



Key themes from the feedback included:

- Basketball courts and playground upgrades Anderson Park, War Memorial park, Nathan Homestead playground
- Maintenance in our parks/facilities paths, toilets, changing rooms, water fountains
- Food security concerns
- Totara Park Swimming pool open longer summer hours
- Nathan Homestead Café upgrades

#### **Our Places**

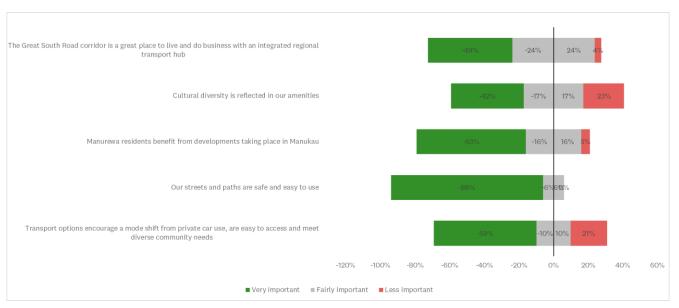
Our urban development attracts quality employment, community and sustainability outcomes that meet the needs of our growing population. Our transport network is accessible, affordable, offers choice and makes it easy to move around.



The Manurewa Local Board will advocate for;

- Reinstate local board transport funding to the pre-COVID-19 level of \$21 million per annum
- Allocate adequate funding to ensure improved road maintenance and renewals to improve the roading network
- Prioritise Manurewa for the installation of red-light cameras to reduce speeding and running of red lights which causes danger and potential harm
- 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
- Increase the number of shared paths with a priority focus on main transport routes
- 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

The Manurewa community were asked to rate Manurewa Local Board's 'Our Places' objectives from very important to less important and results are shown in the below graph.



Key themes from the feedback included:

- Pothole/road/footpath maintenance concerns
- Speed calming/Speedbumps/Crossings support, complaints
- Create more spaces for Māori/Pasifika to connect and celebrate culture
- Parking and intensifications development concerns
- Cycling comments Separated cycleways, make it safer
- Advocacy and community voice to Auckland Transport from the board
- Too many liquor and vape stores

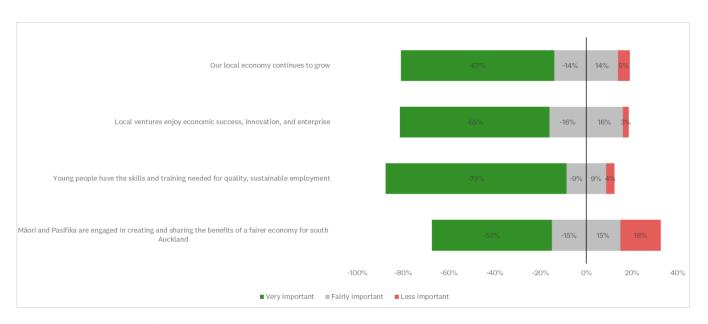
### **Our Economy**

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

The Manurewa Local Board will advocate for;

- Ensure youth services recognise the important place of pastoral care and cultural safety in rangatahi education and employment
- Apply stronger requirements for Governing Body and council-controlled organisations to buy goods and services that create local employment opportunities, especially for young people
- 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
- Improve council procurement processes that act as a barrier to Māori businesses

The Manurewa community were asked to rate Manurewa Local Board's 'Our Economy' objectives from very important to less important and results are shown in the below graph.



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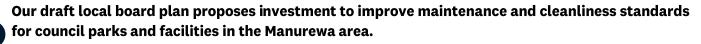
- Beautifying the look of the Manurewa town centre
- Public Transport options and reliability
- Further support of our local business during the recession
- Space for Māori & Pasifika to connect more in the community
- Local board could support youth and recent graduates with experience days or jobs within council organisations such as Eke Panuku as well as employment locally (connecting people to employers)
- Focus on creating innovations to increase buyers attracting to Manurewa to buy and shop
- Nathan Homestead comments upgrades, more investment, upgrades, use
- A specific focus on creating opportunities for employment and increasing business opportunities for Māori and Pacific in Manurewa

#### Other questions asked

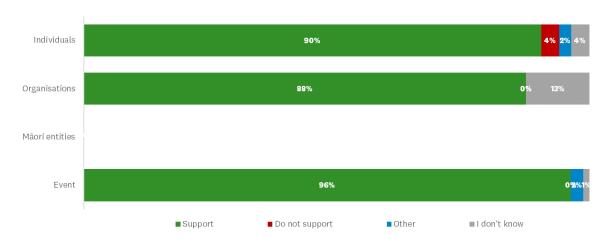
As part of the draft local board plan consultation, the following additional questions were asked.

Three questions were asked, and responses and results listed below:





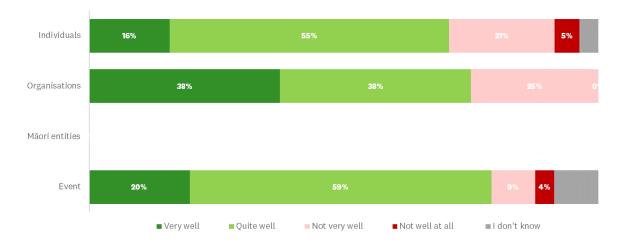
#### Do you support, not support, other or I do not know?



Key themes from the feedback included:

- Unequivocable support from the community that they would like the Manurewa Local Board to invest more in the maintenance and cleanliness standards for the Manurewa area, with 93% of all submitters (Individual, organisations and event submitters) supporting the proposal
- General waste/rubbish concerns
- Playgrounds/facilities need to be maintained
- Public toilet comments
- Being proud of the area and making it great again
- War Memorial Park Upgrades and current standards

# How well do you think our plan reflects your needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?



Key themes from the feedback included:

• 71% of individual submitters think that the plan meets Manurewa's community very/quite well



- Comments around plan setup Needs to be brief and practical not too many objectives, how do we track it? Submitters commenting on either too broad or the plan is good overall
- Great priorities
- Funding comments

# Q8 Do you have any other feedback on the draft plan? Have we got it right? Have we missed anything?

Key themes received were:

- Public Transport
- Roading road calming measures, pedestrian crossings, maintenance
- Climate change
- Youth
- Homelessness
- Food Security
- Playgrounds and sports facilities upgrades
- Crime concerns
- Disabled and Elderly concerns/inclusion
- Parking

#### Who we heard from

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

