
Local Board Plan 2023

Waitākere Ranges Local Board EVENT FEEDBACK

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HYSE Event Summary

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Drop in sessions - Titirangi Library	17/07/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#

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- Feedback from participants 1
- Weeds 1
- Uneven/ broken footpaths
 - Community safety, ram raiding businesses. Businesses frightened/ broken into. Shops up for lease – doesn't attract business. Doesn't feel attractive or welcoming, or that we're prosperous.
 - Rubbish from local businesses out on footpath. Doesn't look good. Need a sense of pride in place
 - Homeless/ rough sleepers
 - When will roads open again? (Henry Atkinson)
 - Infill developments – over developing sites with townhouses without proper infrastructure. Titirangi is clay which is why we have slips. Need to work with our environment.
 - Storm water management/ slips. Council neglecting its responsibilities.
 - Local boards (toothless) need more teeth
 - Fragmented nature of council services between departments and agencies. End up having to run around between them. No one takes responsibility.
 - More indoor spaces for kids to be able to play and run around especially with our wet weather
 - Desperate need for a pool in the area
 - Difficult to see the lines on the road and cat's eyes are not being replaced. Especially when it rains and trying to negotiate potholes.
 - Most people want to get involved in the environment, but we need leadership and some excitement to motivate people.
 - Overwhelmed with submissions and get confused

EVENT	DATE	LOCAL	Event
Drop in sessions - Glen Eden library	19/07/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#

Responses Count **64**

Q10 Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan?

- Feedback from participants 1
- Pot holes and Auckland Transport is rubbish 1
 - GE Library is awesome
 - Voting age needs to be lowered as hard for 16 years olds to give feedback when our votes dont count.
 - WR are beautiful and infill housing is ruining our area.
 - Support for women's groups and assist them to apply for funding.
 - Jacinda was the best PM
 - Roads are atrocious
 - Traffic in the morning at rush hour in Glen Eden – use of lanes (one way system / loop road)
 - [Oratia resident] Create Glen Eden as a village by better managing traffic with a bypass; reduce the conflict with trains. Need to be more innovative, eg Nolas by Parrs Park will generate more traffic there, should make an underpass pedestrian route to connect to Parrs Park. Waikumete Road tower block missed opportunity – council should have put a park in where the petrol station is so there is somewhere for children to use from the apts.
 - [Titirangi resident] Council don't listen, what's the point in giving feedback. Everything is already decided. Council asks for your views, then ignores it.

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Drop in sessions - Glen Eden Library	31/07/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#
Responses		Count	40
Q10 Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan?		1	
Feedback from participants		1	
- Do more with Te Kawerau especially around acknowledging sites of interest			
- Need to do something about the rats			
- Sewerage system certification – no one seems to be following up on the certifications			
- Need better bus services out here especially with our coastal communities			
- Libraries are very important – they are great supports to other community organisations being able to meet			
- More programmes for kids/ young people			
- Lives in Oratia – we don't have buses and we don't have footpaths. It pisses me off that we pay rates, and we get nothing in terms of public transport.			

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Drop in sessions - Glen Eden Library	31/07/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#
Responses		Count	55
Q10 Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan?		1	
Feedback from participants		1	
- More programmes for kids – free or low cost especially indoors when the weather is bad/ and during (parents want to work and kids need something to do during school holidays)			

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Drop in sessions - Titirangi Library	12/08/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#
Responses		Count	50
Q10 Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan?		1	
Feedback from participants		1	
- Due to our topography put spending on cultural things on hold until all the infrastructure in Titirangi is being repaired and made safe. Having big trouble with AT because just refusing to do anything and for any private property owner any kind of remedial work is only lasting if the infrastructure around has been secured especially referring to roads that are subject to land slide and flooding. Mt Atkinson park reserve is above my property and no drainage above it. Also, walkways and looks like they can channel more water onto my property. I paid for geo report, and they acknowledged if there was draining in the first place on the reserve the slip would not have happened. Frontline staff don't get training/info they need to support public during flood events. Costs for subcontractors is blowing up and why does one person do all the work whilst others just stand around? It really upsets me as a rate payer all the waste. Need to create a taskforce with experts and properly resource that so we can move through this quickly. We have our lives on hold. Birgit Burkinshaw/ STAR – Stickered Titirangi			
- Local Boards need more power – and depts that look after local infrastructure should follow LB advice and not the other way around.			

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Waitākere Ranges Local Board Hearing Style Event	03/08/2023	Waitākere Ranges	Participants#
Responses		Count	10
Q3.Climate Action Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan?		2	
Q3. Tell us why		1	
Climate action – key learnings from storm was lack of resilience in telecommunications and power infrastructure. T R&R think LB should explore working with providers to improve telecommunications resilience. LB should continue to explore PT, e.g. buses – reduce resilience on private cars.			
Climate Change: A big section of the Local Board Plan is on Climate Action and to us that means starting with making sure our infrastructure is in good shape.		1	
We need the Plan and Auckland Council to focus on these aspects of our infrastructure :			
Please work with Auckland Council to fix the slips along the roads, footpaths and tracks.			
We're already getting far more traffic and visitors because people can't go to Piha and Karekare and this will only increase come summer. We need the roads fixed and tracks reopened, but fixed properly once, rather than a quick fix that needs repairing again in a short time and costing us more.			
Rather than reforesting rural land we would encourage you to make it an immediate priority to get slip areas replanted to reduce them slipping again or becoming infested with weeds.			
We desperately need pot holes filled along Cornwallis and Huia Roads.			
Storm drainage: Thanks for visiting Cornwallis and seeing for yourselves some of the problems we have. Council has done some things along the road but our problems haven't been fixed nor have the drains near the houses cleared. In fact in instances what Council contractors have done will only make things worse. Gillman can explain.			
Footpaths: We still want a decent footpath. Advocacy is a section in the draft Plan. One area where we want to support you in advocacy is to get Auckland Transport to allocate more money to building basic footpaths communities like Cornwallis are asking for.			
Parking for public transport: Cycling is never going to be a good option for the majority of residents out our way, but we could use public transport more from places like Titirangi, Glen Eden and New Lynn if there's adequate parking. Please			

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Q4. Waitākere Ranges Heritage are Climate Action Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan?

Q4. Tell us why 2

WRHA – plan should propose creation of independent governance group to oversee implementation of heritage area act. Should be separate from AC budgetary considerations. Statutory. 1

Support refocus on Local Area Plans – should have budget implementation attached to them.

Five year monitoring report – highlighted huge gaps in AC’s monitoring of heritage features. Needs to be addressed.

How to know if the Act is being complied with if state of features aren’t being monitored? Should be done regularly.

Quietness and darkness (heritage features) – not just tourist opportunity. Essential for species, e.g. pollinators. Should be reflected in plan.

Why are halls part of heritage area? 1

Q5. Our people: Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan? 1

Support 1

Support in part 0

Do not support 0

I don't know 0

Q6. Our Environment: Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan? 1

Support 1

Support in part 0

Do not support 0

I don't know 0

Q6. Tell us why 4

Environment – Kauri in local parks are infected with kauri dieback and need to be treated as a matter of urgency. 1

Money being spent on track upgrades may be problematic. Suggested solutions – contractors, LB to work with landowners adjacent to local park; can work with Kauri Rescue and work with them regarding community volunteers. Urban ngahere strategy not mentioned in plan – should be implemented with action plan specifically in LB area. Areas which could be enhanced with new planting could be identified.

Weeds in the road corridor – like work which has commenced. Should continue. Need to maintain buffer zones. Weed work should continue over broad range of weeds.

Missing – celebrating / raising awareness about heritage trees in the LB area. Suggestion – labels on trees saying why they’re notable. Could look for opportunities to add more heritage trees to the schedule. Could be on private/public land. Important to support landowners with heritage trees on their land – grants system to help with maintenance?

Trees – LBP states working with neighbouring LBs. In wider city loss of urban forests and intensification. Lived in WRs for 38 years. Support speakers who have gone before. Support plan and think it is written well. How plan is carried out is important. 1

Environmental stewardship and kaitiakitanga – concerned that community isn’t clearly defined or recognised. Lorraine is part of community but can’t go to same places as before. Lorraine’s point – science says that kauri dieback is carried in water/soil and track upgrades / contractor work means water/soil can get diverted and spread kauri dieback.

Fire protection is extremely important.

Concerned that theory and practice need to come together.

Trees are being impacted and this affects people in the bigger picture.

Toy library – reduces landfill waste and encourage whanau to engage with EcoMatters projects. 1

Surprised by AC zoning.

High density developments – hope LB continues to regular and exert pressure on developers.

Transmission emission reduction priority – safe and accessible cycleways and walkways supported by community. Pop up cycleway – devastated for some when cycleways were disestablished.

Support shuttle buses.

Local library and provision of toys has allowed some whanau to maintain sense of normalcy post-cyclone.

Through WRLB funding have built wheelchair accessibility ramp for toy library.

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<p>Environment:</p> <p>We support your efforts to get the Natural Environment Targeted Rate spent more quickly especially on getting tracks improved and reopened and full implementation of the regional pest management plan. If not, the rate should be reduced permanently.</p>			1
<p>As you know the big priorities for SCOW are continuing to make grant funding available for our pest control activities and funding effective weed control activities especially on public land along roads and that surround private properties. Gillman has more to say on that.</p>			
<p>Manukau Harbour- we support your efforts on behalf of the Manukau Harbour and participating in the Manukau Harbour Forum. We support your focus on water quality and working with Watercare and Healthy Waters to reduce overflows into the-harbour. Council should be spending funds it's collecting from residents with wastewater systems on environmental programs in our area or not charge us. (Watercare is already thinking about re-permitting the Mangere Treatment Plant and we need the Local Board to be advocates for tightening the effluent standards for the plant and working with Watercare to find ways of reducing the volume of discharges into the harbour.)</p>			
<p>The other big priority for us regarding the harbour (and the shoreline adaptation planning) is making sure West Aucklanders continue to have access to the foreshore and water of the Manukau for recreation, boating and fishing. Cornwallis Beach is an extremely popular, family friendly beach for West Aucklanders. The grassy picnic areas adjacent to the beach need to be protected from managed retreat. If not, where are people going to sit and picnic and play? Similarly the foreshore of Little Huia must be protected for fishing, kayak and boat access, not to mention protecting the road out to Whatipu.</p>			
<p>We appreciate all your hard work advocating for us and the West especially within Auckland Council. We wish you all the best as you implement the Plan.</p>			
<p>Q7. Our Community: Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan?</p>			2
<p>Q7. Tell us why</p>			1
<p>Our Community – support proposals. Research for land stability and flooding risks – support 100%. Think vulnerable features could be strengthened – lack of preparation discussed when risks mentioned in plan.</p>			
<p>Network of vibrant arts and culture organisations – support 100%. Actions in plan focused on main galleries / events.</p>			
<p>Art activity with smaller groups / individuals not mentioned. Could add something about investing in multicultural / diverse artists.</p>			
<p>Potential framework regarding fees for Council buildings – want to ensure that increase in fees doesn't change community's relationship with buildings. Criteria of resilience, wellbeing, environment and heritage – community buildings that do events without four criteria means relationship stays the same. Events outside of these should entail a fee.</p>			1
<p>Q8. Our Places: Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan?</p>			1
<p>Q8. Tell us why</p>			1
<p>Our Places – LAPs being recognised by CCOs – should include heritage area design guidelines. 'Recognised' not strong enough term – 'taken into account' might be more suitable. Could add in conservation restoration plan for Titirangi War Memorial Hall – has budget and is being implemented.</p>			
<p>Q9. Our Economy: Have we got it right, and what is your view on how these things are addressed in the plan?</p>			2
<p>Q9. Tell us why</p>			1
<p>People and Community focus for today's submission – PT is a point of frustration. Infrastructure does not cater to all levels of accessibility.</p>			
<p>Māori outcomes – strongly support actions proposed; think could enhance LB support more. Strongly support Deed of Acknowledgement with TKaM.</p>			1

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Drop in sessions - Te Manawa Hub	08/08/2023	Multi Board	45

Notes

- Directive from community to have hui in work time hence the change in time.
- Community acknowledged all three LB's fight hard & work hard.
- Community tautoko for the reference to Māori Thought Leadership Collective in LBP
- Acknowledgement of Matariki – impacts positively on tamariki
- Relationships between LB's & māori community are key
- Invest in Māra Hupara Playgrounds – culturally appropriate, cost less, environmentally friendly
- Te Kete Rukuruku – māori language is an oral language – signage should reflect this (audio)
- Investing in Te Kawerau a Maki to be able to generate wealth – self generating profit! -- Strategically invest into organisation to then generate wealth.
- Acknowledge communities – when flooding hit, community did all the hard mahi.
- Spend on Traffic control systems/speed bumps etc – how does LB advocate enough is enough?

Massey Area

- Rangatahi need services & space in the Massey area
- 8-12y not engaged in school – positive options required
- Security cameras required at MC hub – assaults at community garden commonplace

Vision West

- Strategic relationship with LB/Marae is important.
- Visionwest Flood & Cyclone Report launched – whanau still in harms way re: flooding/re-housing. Need pressure to build resilience – how can LB advocate?

Te Atatū Marae

- Kotahitanga – need to work together. Council needs to keep marae groups informed.
- What is the process for the building of the marae?
- Three LB's need to support development of marae
- David Tanenui: Budget is an issue/Arguing between marae groups
- Community needs to be pro-active – how can the community invest in marae (eg: fundraising etc).

Māori Outcomes

- Prioritise relationships. Local Boards need to put investment into relationship space – need strengthening & healing space.
- Increase in brokers/community workers to mobilise community. Brokers for Māori by Māori.
- What are the key principles for Māori outcomes – need one set of outcomes instead of three (Whau/WR/HMLB).
- How do LB's monitor & evaluate Māori outcomes – needs to be evaluated through a māori lens.

Advocacy

- LB's need to advocate for: Kai sovereignty (Mana Motuhake o te kai), invest in future aspirations of rangatahi, flooding, development of west marae's, vaping.
- Māori community need to be concise to LB's about what needs to be advocated? What is channel, what is influence?
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Nga Matarae

- Need to be present for Māori community & LB's.
- What happens with underspend – reallocate to building of maraes?
- Need to do something in social space with LB to amplify outcomes for Māori.