Whau Local Board Plan 2023 Consultation 13 July – 14 August 2023



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About the Whau Local Board



The Whau Local Board is an area of Auckland.

It is a diverse and growing part of Auckland.



It includes the suburbs of

- New Lynn
- Green Bay
- Kelston
- Rosebank
- Avondale
- New Windsor
- Glenavon and
- Blockhouse Bay



Whau is 1 of 21 Local Boards in Auckland that make decisions about local

- issues
- activities
- facilites and
- services.



This might include things like

- the opening hours of libraries
- improving playgrounds
- funding arts or environmental projects.

About the Whau Local Board Plan



Every 3 years, Whau Local Board works with the community to write a new plan for our area.

Our new plan is called Whau Local Board Plan 2023.



It is important because it tells us

- What we want to focus on
- What we want to achieve and
- Things we will be doing.



After talking with community, we have prepared a draft Whau Local Board Plan 2023.



The draft plan is divided into 5 parts

- our people
- our environment
- our community
- our places and
- our economy.





It also looks at

- supporting our community with climate change and
- supporting our Māori communities and culture to grow.

We want to know what you think of the draft plan so we can tell if we

- got it right or
- missed anything.



We will then

- look at everyone's opinion to help us complete our plan and
- adopt the plan in October 2023.

Adopting a local board plan means that the Whau Local Board agrees to use the plan to guide its future decisions.

An overview of the draft Whau Local Board Plan 2023

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Let's go through the different parts of the plan.



We want our people to

- feel a part of our community
- know they can participate
- feel they have a voice and
- feel connected.



Some ways we will do this is by

- working with community organisations and groups to support participation and help people feel connected to community
- listening to our communities so we know what your needs are
- helping our communities get involved and having a say.



We want our environment to

- be protected, clean and healthy
- include green spaces
- be able to bounce back when an emergency hits
- be looked after by our community.



Some ways we will do this is by

- supporting organisations and groups to work on local environmental projects
- plant more trees
- work with groups who can help people learn how to make a difference.



We want our community to

- have access to our facilities and services without barriers
- benefit from physical activity for health and wellbeing
- enjoy the richness of our diverse communities.



Some ways we will do this is by

- ensuring our facilities, playgrounds, and spaces are user-friendly
- supporting programmes and community organisations that encourage a healthy and active life
- supporting programmes and events that share our cultural diversity
- developing events and services with access needs in mind.

We want our places to

- be points of connection where community can socialise
- be safe and easy to get around
- showcase our Māori history and cultural diversity.





Some ways we will do this is by

- improving our parks, reserves, and open spaces
- working with Auckland Transport on encouraging active transport and public transport use and improving safety
- supporting ways for more Māori names and narratives to be brought back to our parks and places
- supporting ways for our community groups to celebrate cultural diversity in different spaces.

We want our economy to

- be strengthened through partnerships and connection with key local industries
- develop by encouraging our communities to shop and work locally.

Some ways we will do this is by

- partnering with our business associations on things we both want to achieve
- supporting our partners that focus on employment and skill development for our youth, whānau Māori and Pacific peoples
- supporting our creative industries.





Let us know what you think!



There are some questions on our website you can answer. Here is the link <u>akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/whau-</u> <u>local-board-plan-2023</u>



If you can't use our website, email your comments or questions to

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Look on our Facebook page for more information on getting involved.

Here is the link https://www.facebook.com/WhauLB/