
Local Board Plan 2023

Whau Local Board EVENT FEEDBACK

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HYSE Event Summary

EVENT	DATE	LOCAL BOARD	Event Participants#
Drop in sessions - New Lynn Library	18/07/2023	Whau	100
Responses			Count
Q1 Our people: Supporting people in our diverse communities.Will this help you and your community to thrive?			2
Yes			2
No			0
I don't know			0
Q1 Tell us why			3
Seems like a broad set of goals targeting individual and community Hauora			1
Govt not taking care of most important issues in the community and future generations (children + teens)			1
Would be great to include and celebrate other cultures not just Māori			1
Q2. Our environment: Protecting our natural environment Does this reflect your community's environmental priorities?			3
Yes			2
No			1
I don't know			0
Q2 Tell us why			3
Kaitiakitanga and a sustainable approach is important for the longevity and vitality of the environment			1
Building the community and upbringing			1
Clean, tidy, healthy, green spaces			1
Q3. Our community: Supporting community participation with our services and facilities.Will this support increased participation from your community and improved connection to the community as a whole?			3
Yes			1
No			1
I don't know			1
Q3 Tell us why			2
Not good experiences, needs to talk			1
More spaces to run dance classes and performance spaces			1
Q4.Our places: Supporting our growth, development, transport and accessibility.Will this make Whau a great place to live and work in?			3
Yes			2
No			0
I don't know			1
Q4 Tell us why			1
Reducing carbon emissions is most important to me as it creates and promotes sustainable practices which is positive overall			1
Q5.Our economy: Supporting our economic development.Will this support and bolster our local economy?			1
Yes			1
No			0
I don't know			0
Q5 Tell us why			1
Financial security no where. Govt making things very complicated. people not happy. A stressful life			1
Q6 a). Funding challenges and community investment Can you tell us what services are essential to you and why?			3
Sport clubs, physical activity, teaching events			1
Library, swim classes for children			1
Funding and enrolments as a good a valuable guide with programmes of usefulness			1
Q6 b).How might we offer services differently and still meet community need? Did you have any comments for this question?			1
Not sure. Reason I'm not sure is I don't know enough about local boards. More education around the role and actions of the local board			1

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Q7.Do you agree that our plan reflects your needs and aspirations for our community over the next three years?		3
Yes, strongly agree		0
Yes, mostly agree		2
No, mostly disagree		1
No, strongly disagree		0
I don't know		0
Q7 Tell us why		1
I think the goals are very broad and cover a lot of areas. I'd like to see smaller more concise goals however that might not appease everyone		1
Q8.Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?		3
I think in regards to climate change goals from the information I have received from the information pack given at the local library. It would be beneficial to have quantifiable goals which align and progress the 2050 carbon net zero legislation put forth by the government. To achieve this, it starts at the local and individual level. People and communities need to change the way they live. For example, what we eat, how we move and the choice of products we consume.		1
Want to address the things which will be a problem for the country and community. Need to meet one on one.		1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Traffic issues, pot holes and in Avondale. - Central Interceptor and Miranda Reserve works. - Some Chinese speakers who will pass on info to family to feedback. - 90 year old, lived in area 50 years. Quite upset when LB office closed as services have now left New Lynn. - Wayne, ex NL Community Board Member talked for a while. - Student from Lynfield College interested in local government. - Don't know what the LB is so more education for the community would be good. 		1

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Drop in sessions - Blockhouse Bay Library Responses	22/07/2023	Whau	28

Q8. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?

- Feedback form library – too many consultations on!
 - Blockhouse Bay Rd to terrace street heading towards Miranda, opp Glenavon school - trees going into powerlines, and overgrown and branches hanging down, might hurt people with low vision/ elderly. And with more bad weather, branches can come down.
 - No parking at Glenavon School, so people parking on berm and makes it difficult for others to cross the road.
 - Must do something about climate change – we'll end up with climate refugees. Need to future proof for ourselves but also for potential refugees
 - Do more for local economy – get young people into work
 - Covid is still an issue even if it's not on the national radar
 - Need to support our elderly more especially for those who don't have a family
 - Opportunities for autistic kids
 - Don't know much about LBs – great to get info. Need more engagement like this to learn about them and how we can get involved
 - Larger writing on easy read is fantastic
 - Portage Rd roundabout – AT keep digging it up and redoing it. And it's only for a small improvement, and for that, it's a waste of money. But they won't make the improvements where it's really needed. AT are terrible and if the LB can do something to advocate for smarter decisions and a better use of public money that would be great.
- Other local boards, Albert- Eden

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Drop in sessions - Avondale Library Responses	25/07/2023	Whau	100

Q8. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?

- Desperately want te Hono to go ahead
- Not happy with Eke Panuku over housing – especially with housing for older people (65+)
- Te Toi Uku needs to remain funded and supported.
- New CAB rooms ASAP
- Tait Park (Highbury St) – maintained gardens (including flowers) for new residents to enjoy. Green spaces important for new housing developments
- New community centre in Avondale – why can't council find the funding for our new community centre. It's been a very long time going. it's been going on for over 20 years.
- Current Avondale Community Centre – occurrences of double bookings.
- Want updates on Te Hono and more youth programs
- Te Toi Uku important to fund. And more heritage programmes

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HY Whau Local Board Community Hui Responses	26/07/2023	Whau	7

Q8. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?
feedback from participants

People

- More engagement required – community to get behind the LB. How can we mobilise community on issues that matter?
- Personal resident POV feel needs more consultation
- From business POV have good engagement with the LB. LB members come to Rosebank business meetings - engagement good
- Promote our events further

Environment

- Eco consciousness bubbling under the surface – how do we harness community that is energised on these issues?
- Eco matters trialling council food scraps from local businesses – can we roll that out further with other businesses?
- Do more programmes to clean the Whau River

Community

- Well served with buses and trains in Avondale
- Rosebank/ R Rd missed out on everything (bus link, cycleways etc). 3pm-5pm gridlock.
- Should introduce Wifi in town centres [maybe good for economy theme]
- EV charging stations – nothing in Avondale. Would be great to include.
- More events for kids in parks and more adventure equipment (flying fox/zip line – Olympic Park not working) eg in Maui Park
- Building an aquatic centre is important to our community

Places

- Avondale – recognised as a taniwha coming out of Whau river. Rebrand township. Include a gateway to Avondale with a beautiful Māori carving. Include elements of Crown Lynn pottery. Centre of culture. Have artistic workshops.
- Promote Te Whau walkway more between harbours
- Events to draw people to Avondale
- Whau River – want waka in the Whau. Have waka programmes
- Programme for new ethnic residents – showed how they could walk along te Whau pathway. Would be good to have wayfinding, lights etc. Light up the bridge
- Healthy families are doing hikoi. Would be good to do one for the Whau. Walking tour with headsets.
- Fashion events – turn streets into cat walks
- Fairy festival – close off streets
- Development levy – can we make this fund more transparent? Can we follow this up

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Economy - Economic importance on libraries - Want aesthetic components included in te Hono - Permanent art space in Avondale or New Lynn (eg Fale) - Work with businesses on how we can create a creative hub in the Whau - Showcase our businesses - Lack of knowledge around social enterprise – would be good to support more social enterprises in the Whau especially for youth and supporting our environment. Eg recycling materials - Businesses in Rosebank flat – difficult to get \$ from businesses. How we can get more local people to work in Rosebank – try to really connect our residents to find jobs in Rosebank and in the Whau - Partner with tenancy of resident blocks and do a trade day? - Support businesses to try new products - Work with our local business associations on how we can get the most of our areas (eg promote as a destination, getting locals in businesses) - Have businesses that can sell Crown Lynn pottery			

EVENT	DATE	LOCAL BOARD	Count	Participants#
Drop in sessions - at Repair Cafe - New Lynn Community Centre	29/07/2023	Whau		
Responses			Count	60
Q8. Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?			1	
ʻŌkai + Whānau Older Whānau Euro PI Asian Indian				
Feedback from participants - Worried about budget spend – need better transparency - Upgrade bus shelters – to deal with the conditions - Streetlights on Patiki Road, Avondale – have had issues since the beginning of the year. Have called AC about the light – they won't stay on. - Traffic is an issue (there are rubber strips near the bus stop on Patiki Rd) that measure volume of traffic and speed of traffic) – coming off motor way over the rise to Patiki. People are driving at motor way speed when the speed limit is 50km. It would be good to have one of those check your speed/ safe speed camera - DEANZ – Doughnut Hub food scraps programme. Working with a variety of schools including Fruitvale School - collect food scraps from businesses and high-rise buildings, take food scraps to school to compost (have compost bins) then use compost to grow food, and that food is used for school lunches. Want to roll it out to other schools. About \$10,000 for 4 compost bins per school. - Parking around New Lynn – signs are not obvious about whether can park or loading zone or drop off zone				

EVENT	DATE	LOCAL BOARD	Participants#
Drop in sessions - Play Group - Green Bay Community House	01/08/2023	Whau	35
Responses		Count	
Q8.Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?			1
Feedback from participants			
- Lawson Park needs an upgrade (playground)			
- Need a permanent pump track somewhere local			
- Pool in Green Bay/ Whau			
- Green Bay community House – invaluable to the community			
- Le Rosa Park great			
- Natives for planting – sustaining stream initiative received 12 years ago			
- Good not having alcohol at supermarkets			
- Crum Park playground is awesome			
- Parks have good access			
- Dog rules are good, but no one sticks to it			
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Drop in sessions - Blockhouse Bay library	02/08/2023	Whau	50
Responses		Count	
Q8.Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?			1
Mainly local (Sunnyhills + Mt Roskill)			
Older			
Mum, bub			
Young people			
Euro			
Asian			
Indian			
Māori			
Feedback from participants			
- Avondale needs a refresh, shop fronts are tired, and everything looks grotty			
- Need to do more on climate change for our mokopuna			
- Need more arts programmes especially for children and migrants. There is a great need, and we could do more to roll out programmes that are free for children especially holiday programmes			
- Programmes in our libraries are very important – they also allow for connections, especially for our migrant communities			
- Schools are great network to share information			
- Lives outside of fire station on Blockhouse Bay Road – pedestrian crossing taken out and added lights as a trial. They're no longer using the lights (added tape/ removed buttons etc). AT won't bring back the crossing. Have had a lot of back and forth with AT and haven't been able to progress. This has been going on for over 2 years,			
- Council has cut walking school bus programme – want that reinstated. Is that what we have come to - are we an advanced society or not?			
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Drop in sessions - New Lynn Library	05/08/2023	Whau	60
Responses		Count	60
Q8.Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?			1
Local			
Older			
Young whānau			
Parent/child			
Euro			
Asian			
PI			
Māori			
Indian			
Feedback from participants			
- Libraries and green spaces important			
- Price of food and petrol			
- Sorting the drains			
- Avondale Markets are amazing – such a great asset to the area			1

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Drop in sessions - + knitting group - Blockhouse Bay library	10/08/2023	Whau	40
Responses		Count	40
Q8.Do you have any other feedback on our proposed Local Board Plan, including how we could better meet Auckland Council's climate change goals or Māori outcome aspirations?			1
Local			
Older			
Middle aged			
Parent/child			
Euro			
Indian			
PI			
Asian			
Māori			
Feedback from participants			
- Bring back Borough councils. New Lynn Borough council was excellent			
- Need to plant a trillion trees not a million			
- Need more programmes for seniors eg classical music and to have them during the day.			
- Libraries important – only place for kids have access to books for reading for free.			
- Important to support our Māori communities. Like to see more programmes, and art works in our public spaces and hearing te reo in our libraries and so on.			
- Is there anything specific in the plan about Blockhouse Bay? Would be nice to add something about all the Whau suburbs. There's always something about Avondale and New Lynn. We know we aren't forgotten by the Board, but it would be nice to be reflected in the plan.			
Blockhouse Bay does feel left out at times.			1

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HYS Whau Local Board Community Hui	26/07/2023	Whau	7
Responses		Count	7
No feedback received			

EVENT	DATE	LOCAL BOARD	Event Participants
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.