

# Have your say on the Avondale integrated library and community centre

Feedback opens Monday 25 March 2019 and closes Friday 26 April 2019.

You may have heard that the new Avondale multipurpose community facility will be located in the heart of Avondale town centre alongside an upgraded town square.

This is great news for Avondale and now we want to hear about the services and activities that could be offered at the new facility from the people who will get the most use out of it.

Some key facts about the new facility:

- **Location:** The row of shops at 1971-1987 Great North Road and part of Avondale Centre Reserve.
- **Funding:** \$21 million has been approved for the facility. Additional funding has been allocated to upgrade the town square.
- **Services:** The new facility will include both library and community centre services. We've heard a lot from the community over the years which we would like to build on, including the importance of opportunities for community connection, to be creative and to learn and grow.

**Next steps:** We are engaging with the community between now and the end of April. Once we have an architect on board, there will be opportunities to work with them on the design brief in the middle of the year.

## You can submit your feedback:

- online at [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/haveyoursay](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/haveyoursay)
- email [AvondaleCommunityFeedback@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:AvondaleCommunityFeedback@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)
- In person at a drop in session at:
  - Avondale Library, Avondale, 9 April 2019 from 9am to 12pm
  - Riversdale Reserve, Avondale, 12 April 2019 from 4pm to 6pm
  - Avondale Market, Avondale Racecourse, Ash Street, Avondale, 14 April 2019 from 7am to 12pm

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## Your contact details

Your feedback (including your name) will be publicly available in Auckland Council reports and online, but your contact details will be kept private.

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Your local board: \_\_\_\_\_

## Is your feedback on behalf of an organisation?

- Yes – I am the official spokesperson for the organisation
- No – these are my own personal views

If yes, what is the name of your organisation?  
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## Would you like to subscribe to any of the following (tick all that apply):

- Whau Local Board database – to receive updates about this topic and others in the area
- People's Panel – to take part in Council surveys
- Our Auckland email – your weekly guide to what's happening in Auckland

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Questions:

1. The list below is made up of suggestions we have received from the community that could be included in the new facility. Please tell us which are most important to you (please choose your top 3).

**A) Connection:**

- Hanging out
- Space for meetings
- Markets, events and festivals
- Celebrating culture and diversity
- Sharing kai
- Playing games
- Youth activities
- Activities for older people

**B) Creative:**

- Dance
- Drama
- Music
- Art
- Makerspace
- Craft
- Storytelling

**C) Learning**

- Homework centre
- Place to study
- After school and school holiday activities
- Reading
- Use of technology
- Classes
- Skill building
- Local history
- Eco-learning
- Learning how to repair things
- Exercise classes

2. Is there any activity or service not shown above that should be included in the new facility?

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3. Thinking about the current Avondale facilities (Library, Community Centre) what services and spaces do you think we should include in the new facility?

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4. The town square is also going to be upgraded. What would you like to do in the upgraded town square?

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5. What values and features, including local histories, do you think could be important to the design of the community facility and town square to show the uniqueness of Avondale?

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6. Do you have any other comments about the services or design of the new facility?

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**7. We would like to keep you up to date with how we are progressing with the new facility. Please let us know if you are interested in (tick one or both):**

- Receiving emails about the progress of the new facility
- Participating further in the project

Please provide your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Demographics (optional)**

Finally, we have a few optional questions which will help us understand a bit more about you.

Please note: the following questions help us understand what groups of the community are engaging with council.

All questions are optional and, again, all personal information will remain private.

**Are you?**

- Male
- Female
- Gender diverse

**What age group do you belong to?**

- <15
- 15-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75+

**What ethnicity(s) do you identify with?**

(tick all that apply)

- NZ European
- Maori
- Samoan
- Tongan
- Chinese
- Indian
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you live in Avondale?**

- Yes
- No – please tell us what suburb you live in \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you used the Avondale Library in the past 12 months?**

- Yes
- No

**Have you used the Avondale Community Centre in the past 12 months?**

- Yes
- No

***Auckland Council will analyse all the feedback. The results will be used to inform the service requirements and design brief for the new facility and town square. There will be opportunities in the coming months for the community to work with the design team on the design brief.***

**Need more room?**

You can attach extra pages, but please make sure they are A4 and also include your name and contact information.

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