

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Ōrākei
Te Rīpoata ā-Tau 2018/2019

Ōrākei

Local Board Annual Report 2018/2019



Mihi

E ngā kainoho, e ngā hapori.
Anei te reo matakūkui ka hora ki ngā iwi
kua whakakāinga nei i a Ōrākei.

Residents and communities.
This is a warm welcome to all who have
made Ōrākei home.

Tēnā koutou katoa.
E noho nei au i te maunga o Ōhinerau
ka titiro ki te raki, ki a Maungarei.
Ko aku karu ka whai i te awa o Tāmaki e tere rā
ka rewa ake ki runga i a Taurere
ki te Pane-o-Horoiwi.

Greetings to you all.
Here I sit on Mt Hobson
and look to the east towards Mt Wellington.
My eyes follow the flowing Tāmaki River
then pass over Mt Taylor
to Achilles Point.

I konei ka huri whakawaho taku kaikanohi
ki Tikapa Moana, ka matika ake he moutere,
ko tōna rite he tōtōeka,
e patī mai ki runga i ō tātou tāhuna.

From here I look out and see
the waters of the Hauraki Gulf, where islands rise
like greenstone,
- the waves, they lap onto our beaches.

Mai i konei ka rere tonu rā ki te Waitematā,
ka paratī mai ōna tai kārohirohi
ki runga i ōna takutai.

From here it's on to the Waitematā
whose shimmering waters
touch our coast.

Haumi e, hui e, tāiki e.
Tirohia tō mātou tirohanga whānui
kei ngā whārangī nei.

The connections are made.
Look to our vision
shared in these pages.

He kōrero mō tēnei rīpoata About this report

This annual report tells the story of how Auckland Council has performed in delivering services in the Ōrākei Local Board area from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

You can read about our progress, expenditure, service performance and challenges faced in 2018/2019. It's part of the wider annual reporting package for the Auckland Council Group and meets our Local Government Act 2002 obligations to report on our performance against agreed measures. It also reports against the council's Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (10-year Budget 2018-2028) and the Ōrākei Local Board Agreement 2018/2019.

This report also reflects the local flavour of your area by profiling its population, people and council facilities. It also features a story about a council or community activity that adds special value to the area and demonstrates how together we're delivering for Auckland.

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Shore Road Reserve playground

He kōrero mai i te heamana From the chairperson



This will be my last message after nine years serving on the Ōrākei Local Board. It was a year where we saw enormous progress in many of our key priorities.

Community

Redevelopment of Meadowbank Community Centre has been an aspiration for the wider community for years and this was finally initiated in July 2018.

Transport

The Glen Innes to Tāmaki Drive shared path construction continues, with section three soon to be opened. The Gowing Drive link to the shared path is going through a detailed business case and will provide a much-needed southern link from Meadowbank onto the path.

Environment

We increased our spend on environmental enhancement and ecological restoration projects such as funding to the Eastern Bays Songbird Initiative and From the Deck community-led groups. We supported the Plastic-Free Ōrākei initiative being led by the SEA LIFE Trust, further increased pest management in our reserves and open spaces and adopted the Kēpa Bush Integrated Plan. This commitment will be continued in the next year, making our board area one of the highest investors in the natural environment in Auckland.

Local economic development

We held the board’s inaugural local business awards and event ceremony in October 2018. It was inspiring to see the diversity and dedication of our local business community and highlighted the positive impact they have on our area.

It has been a privilege to serve the community as Chairperson of the Ōrākei Local Board, and I believe we have set up a strong foundation for the incoming board to build on.



Kit Parkinson
Chairperson, Ōrākei Local Board

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Ōrākei Ōrākei Local Board



Your board

(L to R): Troy Churton, Carmel Claridge (Deputy Chairman), Colin Davis, Toni Millar, Kit Parkinson (Chairperson), Rosalind Rundle, David Wong



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Ngā kaupapa me ngā whakapaipai ake Ōrākei projects and improvements

KEY TO CURRENT & PLANNED PROJECTS

-  Delivered projects
-  Current projects
-  Current playground renewals
-  Track renewals

- ### LEGEND
-  Public open space (Unitary Plan)
 -  Motorway
 -  Major Road
 -  Arterial Road
 -  Medium Road
 -  Minor Road
 -  Railway

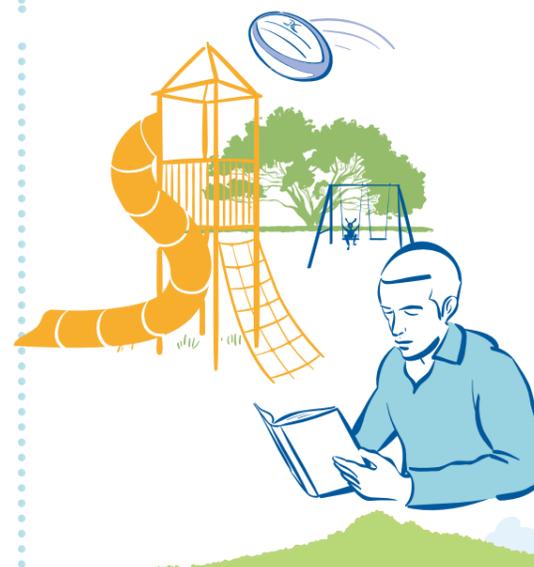


Data sources: 2018 Stats NZ population estimates. Auckland Council growth model.

Ōrākei is home to over **8** swimming beaches...



...**112** parks and reserves, **2** libraries...



...**7** community centres and halls and **6** volcanic features.



A population of **93,000** with estimated population reach of 111,500 by 2036

Ōrākei boasts over **20km** of coastal walks



Tā mātou pūrongo whakahaere mahi

Our performance report

Local Community Services

Highlights include supporting local community groups through contestable grants totalling over \$220,000. Events including Carols on the Green, Movies in Parks, ANZAC services and civic events to celebrate the opening of Ōrākei Basin Walkway and Wairua Reserve Playground. Projects completed this year include Tāmaki Drive searchlight emplacements, Shore Road Reserve

and Waiatarua Reserve car parks, and sportsfield lighting at Madills Farm. Several community centres have been upgraded including Glendowie, Tahapa Crescent Hall in Meadowbank and Leicester Hall in Ellerslie.

● Achieved ● Substantially achieved ● Not achieved

	Outcome	Year-on-year change	2019 Target	2019 Result	2018	2017	How did we perform
Provide safe, reliable and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities							
Percentage of Aucklanders that feel their local town centre is safe - day time	●	▲	93%	93%	88%	93%	
Percentage of Aucklanders that feel their local town centre is safe - night time	●	▼	46%	52%	53%	46%	
Utilising the Empowered Communities Approach, we support Aucklanders to create thriving, connected and inclusive communities							
The percentage of Empowered Communities activities that are community led	●		35%	42%	New Measure	New Measure	
The percentage of Empowered Communities activities that build capacity and capability	●		30%	94%	New Measure	New Measure	
We fund, enable and deliver arts and culture experiences that enhance identity and connect people							
The percentage of arts, and culture programmes, grants and activities that are community led	●		85%	100%	New Measure	New Measure	
We fund, enable and deliver community events and experiences that enhance identity and connect people							
The number of attendees at council-led community events	●		3,000	4,500	New Measure	New Measure	
The percentage of attendees satisfied with a nominated local community event	●		70%	67%	New Measure	New Measure	Satisfaction with Christmas on the Green is below target. Feedback from the event suggests we could improve with a better sound system, more traditional carols and more food options.
We provide art facilities, community centres and hire venues that enable Aucklanders to run locally responsive activities, promoting participation, inclusion and connection							
The number of participants in activities at art facilities, community centres and hire venues	●		280,000	275,396	New Measure	New Measure	The Meadowbank Community Centre move from community-led to council management meant we didn't receive performance information.
The percentage of art facilities, community centres and hire venues network that is community led	●		56%	33%	New Measure	New Measure	The Meadowbank Community Centre move from community-led to council management meant we didn't receive performance information.
We provide library services and programmes that support Aucklanders with reading and literacy, and opportunities to participate in community and civic life							
The number of internet sessions at libraries (unique sessions over public computing or public WIFI networks)	●		150,000	137,785	New Measure	New Measure	As per the regional trend, internet sessions are declining in local libraries. This may be due to residents owning smart devices and the availability of better data plans. For those Aucklanders without data access, free library WIFI remains an important means of access to information and participation.
The number of visits to library facilities	●		550,000	534,270	New Measure	New Measure	Although below target, the decline in visits to the local libraries is relatively smaller than the regional decline. The increased usage of the digital library services such as Libby and OverDrive may have reduced physical visits. Auckland Libraries is committed to working with community to ensure local services remain relevant and attractive.
Percentage of customers satisfied with the quality of library service delivery	●		85%	96%	91%	94%	

Local Community Services measures Cont'd over

Local Community Services cont'd

We provide recreation programmes, opportunities and facilities to get Aucklanders more active, more often							
The percentage of park visitors who are satisfied with the overall quality of sportsfields	●		65%	73%	New Measure	New Measure	
We provide safe and accessible parks, reserves, and beaches							
The percentage of users who are satisfied with the overall quality of local parks	●		72%	76%	New Measure	New Measure	
The percentage of residents who visited a local park in the last 12 months	●	▲	85%	88%	86%	85%	
We showcase Auckland's Māori identity and vibrant Māori culture							
The percentage of local programmes, grants and activities that respond to Māori aspirations	●		4.9%	28.5%	New Measure	New Measure	

Local Environmental Management

Highlights include increased funding for ecological restoration and pest management. We provided funding and support for local environment groups and activities such the Eastern Bays Songbird Project initiative, Tahuna Torea Rangers, From the Deck, Friends

of Kepa Bush and Waitarua Reserve and Ōrākei Basin Advisory Group. We also supported community-led initiatives for stream restoration such as Madills Stream and the Newmarket Stream Community Restoration projects.

● Achieved ● Substantially achieved ● Not achieved

	Outcome	Year-on-year change	2019 Target	2019 Result	2018	2017	How did we perform
We manage Auckland's natural environment							
The proportion of local programmes that deliver intended environmental actions and/or outcomes	●	▲	100%	95.0%	85.7%	100.0%	We successfully delivered 19 of 20 environmental projects. The procurement process for the Ōrākei environmental enhancement plan was delayed, but the project is expected to be completed by the end of September 2019.

Local Planning and Development

Highlights included the inaugural Ōrākei Local Board Business Awards and funding of the Young Enterprise Scheme delivered by ATEED.

● Achieved ● Substantially achieved ● Not achieved

	Outcome	Year-on-year change	2019 Target	2019 Result	2018	2017	How did we perform
We help attract investment, businesses and a skilled workforce to Auckland							
The percentage of Business Associations meeting their Business Improvement District (BID) Partnership Programme obligations	●	●	100%	100%	100.0%	100.0%	



Te āhuatanga ā-rohe Local flavour

Bringing back the songbirds

A project supported by Ōrākei Local Board designed to bring back native songbirds is proving so popular it's being taken up by residents outside the project area.

The Eastern Bays Songbird Project was set up in 2017 by local bird and ecosystem restoration enthusiasts, many of whom have been working in the area for decades. The project targets Auckland's eastern bays, covering 1380ha of urban Auckland and includes the suburbs of Glendowie, St Heliers, Kohimarama, Mission Bay and Ōrākei.

So far, over 1000 rat traps have been set on private properties and in local reserves to help control rat numbers.

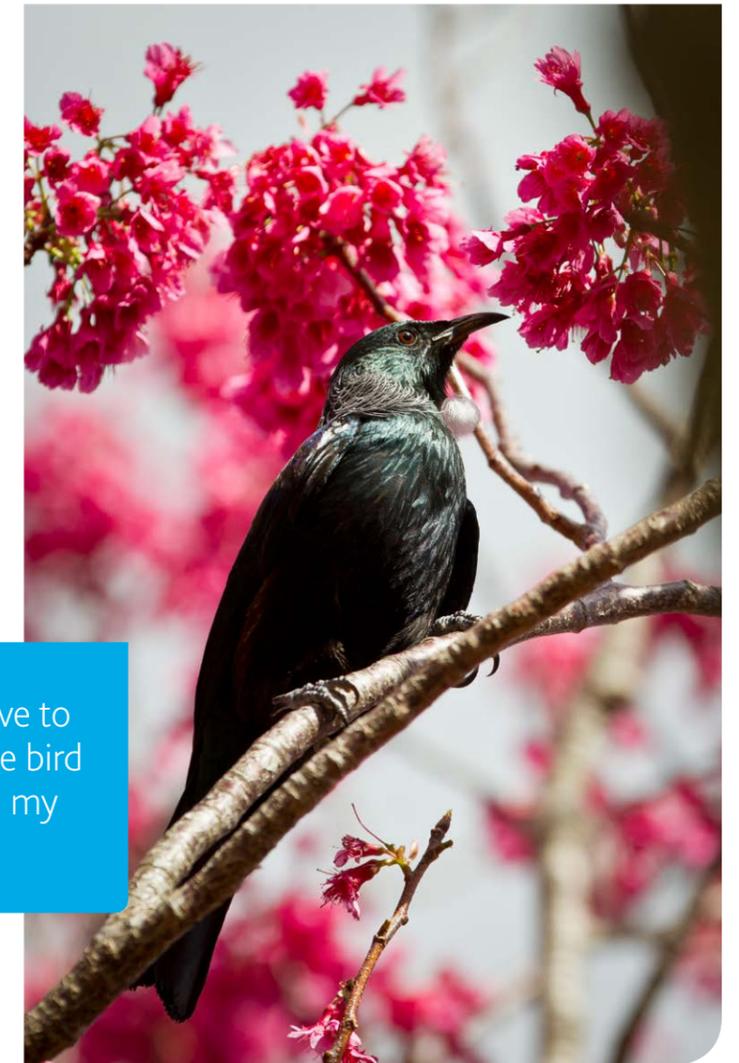
"Rats are a major problem for our native wildlife, eating birds' eggs and competing for food sources like fruits and seeds," says Project Manager Kerry Lucas.

Kieran Tibble is a resident outside the project area who has been trapping in Meadowbank and St Johns alongside other locals since 2018 with good results.

"I have a vision for a pest free Meadowbank and St Johns and want to bring back native birds and other wildlife.

"Long-term, I would love to hear native bird song from my window at any time of the day and for every household to have a trap box, teaching the next generation about New Zealand's unique ecology," he says.

"I think many New Zealanders identify with iconic native species and want to conserve and enhance their populations for future generations."



"I would love to hear native bird song from my window"

Te tahua pūtea

Funding impact statement

For the period ended 30 June 2019

\$000s	NOTES	ACTUAL 2018/19	ANNUAL PLAN 2018/19*	ANNUAL PLAN 2017/18
Sources of operating funding:				
General rates, UAGCs, rates penalties		11,582	11,582	13,243
Targeted rates		512	472	527
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes		12	12	15
Fees and charges		244	275	182
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts		601	789	197
Total operating funding		12,951	13,130	14,164
Applications of operating funding:				
Payment to staff and suppliers		10,509	10,148	10,798
Finance costs		889	889	1,313
Internal charges and overheads applied		2,066	2,066	2,040
Other operating funding applications		0	0	0
Total applications of operating funding		13,465	13,103	14,150
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding		(514)	27	14
Sources of capital funding:				
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure		0	0	0
Development and financial contributions*		0	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	1	5,603	6,727	7,060
Gross proceeds from sale of assets		0	0	0
Lump sum contributions		0	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding		0	0	0
Total sources of capital funding		5,603	6,727	7,060
Application of capital funding:				
Capital expenditure:				
- to meet additional demand		1,118	1,338	3,187
- to improve the level of service		885	1,295	1,132
- to replace existing assets		3,086	4,121	2,754
Increase (decrease) in reserves		0	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments		0	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	2	5,089	6,754	7,074
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding		514	(27)	(14)
Funding balance		0	0	0

Variance explanation Actual 2018/2019 to Annual Plan 2018/2019

- The increase in debt is below plan due to lower than anticipated capital expenditure, resulting in a reduced requirement for debt funding.
- Capital expenditure is below plan due to:
 - Archaeological sites were identified in the area for the Ōrākei Spine shared path. The project is now on hold and is pending NZ Heritage Authority approval; and
 - Contract delays led to the renewal works for the Anderson Beach retaining wall commencing later than planned.

*Year 1 of the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (10-year Budget 2018-2028)



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