

Ōrākei Local Board

Local Grants Programme

2020/2021



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Our Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable grants to local communities under the activity areas of arts and culture, events, community development, environment and natural heritage, historic heritage and sports and recreation.

All applications received will be considered against our priorities specified in this grant programme which supports the local outcomes as detailed in our local board plan.

Priorities for Local Grant Programme applications

The Ōrākei Local Board welcomes grant applications that align with the following priorities:

- Neighbourhoods, community centres and public places are safe and attractive
- Public art and local heritage is supported by the community
- The community benefits from a number of community events
- The natural environment is valued, protected and enhanced by our communities
- Our natural areas are restored and enhanced for present and future generations
- More of our community participates in environmental enhancement projects
- The health of our waterways is improved
- A thriving economy which supports local businesses and town centres
- Local and overseas visitors are attracted to our area
- The recreational needs of different users are met
- Activities that are led by the community, encourage and support people from all walks of life to actively participate in their community
- Community activities for activation of coastal areas around major events

Lower priorities:

We will also consider applications for other services, projects, events and activities. However, these may be considered a lower priority.

- commercial entities and promotion of commercial entities
- ticketed events
- activities or events that:
 - are not locally specific
 - benefit communities outside the Ōrākei Local Board area
- operational costs, including wages and salaries except where professional advice is required beyond the expertise of the applicant, i.e. planning, engineering fees.
- projects and activities in schools that do not demonstrate the community benefits
- applicants with more than one application submitted in a financial year.

Exclusions:

In addition to eligibility criteria outlined in the Community Grants Policy, Ōrākei Local Board will not fund:

- applications for liquor licenses

- private entertainment
- purchase of vehicles (other significant asset purchases may also be declined)
- past grant recipients who have not provided accountability reports
- catering
- travel expenses
- applicants can only apply for the same project or activity once in a financial year to Ōrākei Local Board

Please refer to the [Community Grants Policy](#): “Scope and eligibility” for general eligibility criteria:

- Ineligible applicants – Paragraph 78
- What we won’t fund – Paragraphs 84-86
- Lower priority – Paragraphs 87-88

Accountability measures

The Ōrākei Local Board requests that all successful applicants:

- acknowledge the Ōrākei Local Board’s support with the inclusion of the Board’s logo on advertising and promotional material in relation to the recipient and the purpose including print advertising and posters, newsletters, websites and banners; the Ōrākei Local Board’s name and logo to be in accordance with Council’s brand guidelines.
- acknowledge the Ōrākei Local Board as a supporter, wherever possible, in press conferences, news releases, speeches, launches, editorial/articles sent to any publications, magazines, and annual reports.
- advise the Ōrākei Local Board of marketing and promotional opportunities for the Ōrākei Local Board to promote its role as a supporter of the recipient.
- extend an invitation to the Ōrākei Local Board members to attend a funded project, programme, activity or event where appropriate

Investment approach

The Ōrākei Local Board operates two grants schemes under their Local Grants Programme and budgets have been allocated to support the programme as follows:

- **Quick response grants, including Tree Protection Grants**

Two rounds this financial year will be allocated and confirmed by the local board at a business meeting

- Minimum amount per grant: \$500
- Maximum amount per grant: \$3,000
- Tree protection grants: Maximum amount per grant: \$2000

- **Local Grants**

Two rounds this financial year will be allocated and confirmed by the local board at a business meeting

- Minimum amount per grant: \$3,000
- Maximum amount per grant: \$10,000

- **Multi-board funding**

- Applicants that submit multi-board applications will need to provide evidence of the community benefit to the Ōrākei Local Board area.

Note: An individual is able to apply for amounts over \$1,000, if their application is supported by a resolution from the local residents association and/or recognized local interest or community group from which the project impacts

Specific eligibility criteria for Tree Protection Grants

The Ōrākei Local Board recognises trees, whether identified for protection or not, are significant contributors to the amenity and character of local neighbourhoods and town centres.

The Ōrākei Local Board provides owners of notable trees, within the local board area, access to the quick response grants, for tree works that support the long-term health of notable trees and their retention within the community.

To be eligible to apply for a tree protection grant criteria

- You must be the property owner.
- No more than one application per annum per tree can be submitted

Note: Applications for trees, granted funding for maintenance work in the preceding year, will not be eligible.

A grant is open to owners of all notable trees that are either

- scheduled in the Auckland Unitary Plan, Schedule 10: Notable Trees Schedule **or**
- significant notable non-scheduled landscape trees able to score 15 or greater when assessed against criteria for tree scheduling.

Work supported by tree protection grants

The Ōrākei Local Board Tree Protection Grant is focused on ensuring tree retention and maintenance and accepted tree work is limited to that which will ensure the long term health of the tree.

- **Pruning for safety**
 - Reduction / thinning of extended branches with heavy end weight, poor taper and/or exhibiting weak attachments.
 - Crown lifting / pruning of branches obstructing lines of sight on streets and driveways.
 - Pruning to maintain clearances from dwellings and overhead private service lines.
- **Pruning for form** (where these will benefit the longevity of the tree)
 - Removal of dead and diseased branches.
 - Removal or pruning of crossing and rubbing secondary branches.

- Removal or pruning of broken and storm damaged branches.
- Removal of stumps and stubs to encourage wound closure.
- Thinning of the crown to increase sunlight

- **Soil environment**

- Measures designed to improve the tree’s soil environment, such as mulching with compost, in ground vertical mulching and soil aeration where this will be of benefit to the longevity

Specific tree protection grant exclusions

- Tree work solely to improve outlook from the property or enhance property values
- Tree work solely for the protection of built structures.

Applicants can apply for 50% of the cost of tree work up to a maximum of \$2,000.

Tree work is required to be carried out by a qualified arborist and applications must be supported by quotes.

All grants for the maintenance and protection of notable trees can be applied for under the quick response rounds as outlined below:

Grant round application dates

Grant rounds for the 2020/2021 financial year (1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021) will be as follows:

Quick Response Grants				
Grant round	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	21 September 2020	23 October 2020	19 November 2020	1 December 2020
Round two	19 April 2021	14 May 2021	15 June 2021	1 July 2021

Local Grants				
Grant round	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	29 June 2020	7 August 2020	17 September 2020	1 October 2020
Round two	15 February 2021	2 April 2021	18 May 2021	1 June 2021

Multiboard Grants

Grant Round	Opening date	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round One	15 June 2020	7 August 2020	17 September 2020	1 October 2020
Round Two	18 January 2021	19 March 2021	18 May 2021	1 June 2021

Find out more: **phone 09 301 0101**
or visit **aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/grants**

