



Waitematā Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024



11 May 2023, Version 1.0



Contents

Waitematā Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024	2
Outcomes sought from the local grants programme.....	2
Higher Priorities	3
Lower Priorities	3
Exclusions and Ineligibility	4
Accountability Measures	4
Multi-board Grants.....	4
Investment Approach.....	4
Accommodation Grants.....	5
Accommodation Grant Criteria.....	5
Accommodation Grant Exclusions.....	5
What we won't fund.....	5
Application Dates.....	6

Waitematā Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024

The Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable and discretionary community grants to local communities.

Outcomes sought from the local grants programme

Applicants will need to read the Waitematā Local Board Plan before submitting an application. This can be viewed online at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/localboardplans, picked up from the Auckland Council service centre, or ordered from the call centre on 09 301 0101.

The Waitematā Local Board Grants Programme will be targeted towards supporting the following outcomes and priorities as outlined in the Waitematā Local Board Plan 2020.

Māori are empowered, and their identity and culture is visible

- Provide opportunities to celebrate Māori heritage and culture
- Integrate Māori values and sustainable practices into planning, decision-making and delivery
- Increase participation of iwi and non-affiliated Māori in decision making

Connected communities that are inclusive, accessible and equitable

- Support sustainable solutions to end homelessness
- Empower our communities to become resilient
- Provide accessible and inclusive opportunities and services that meet the needs of our diverse communities
- Provide opportunities to connect communities, through creative and diverse arts, sports, events, and community activities
- Improve Waitematā for women and girls

High quality urban development that has accessible, versatile, and sustainable public and private spaces

- Activate and enhance our parks, streetscapes and open spaces
- Preserve our neighbourhood character and continue to improve town centres
- Encourage more drinking fountains, toilets, showers and lockers in public spaces
- Ensure the design of our current and future public and private spaces are accessible, safe, multifunctional, family friendly, low impact and adaptable in the future
- Treasure and protect our heritage buildings and structures

Waitematā is future-focused, green and resilient to climate change

- Increase the biodiversity of our land, streams and ocean
- Support Waitematā being a low carbon community

Waitematā

- Increase our urban ngahere (forest)
- Minimise waste e.g., compost, community gardening
- Improve our air and water quality and clean our waterways

Sustainable transport network that is safe and accessible

- Improve safety for all road users particularly around schools
- Increase walking, cycling, micro-mobility transport and green corridors to connect our communities
- Provide a connected network of parks, open spaces and streets

Waitematā businesses are sustainable, innovative and prosperous

- Increase prosperity and resiliency of locally owned businesses
- Recover from the impacts of COVID-19 and boost economy
- Support a low carbon and regenerative economy
- Creative industries are enabled and sustained
- Create great places that support the local economy
- Support local and living wage job growth

Higher Priorities

The Waitematā Local Board will prioritise applications which address:

- Inequality and lack of opportunity
- Community action for climate change
- Community action on environmental and biodiversity issues
- Empowering women and girls
- Smoke-free programmes and events
- Sustainable solutions for homelessness
- Waste minimisation

Lower Priorities

The Waitematā Local Board will also consider applications for other services, projects, events and activities which may be considered a lower priority on a case by case basis.

The Waitematā Local Board has identified the following as lower priorities:

- Activities that primarily benefit communities outside the Waitematā area
- Commercial entities and promotion of commercial entities
- Operational costs including wages and salaries, with the exception of fees for professional services
- Prizes
- Travel expenses, including vehicle expenses
- Ticketed events

Exclusions and Ineligibility

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

- Applicants requesting more than the maximum grant amount
- Liquor Licenses
- Private entertainment
- Purchase of vehicles (other significant asset purchases may also be declined)
- Past grant recipients who have not provided a satisfactory accountability report

Note: Applicants can only apply for the same project or activity, and be successful, once in a financial year to Waitematā Local Board

Accountability Measures

The Waitematā Local Board requires recipients of community grants to satisfactorily fulfil the accountability requirements set by the council.

The Waitematā Local Board requests that all successful applicants:

- Extend an invitation to the activity to local board members
- Recognise the local board’s support, including through the placement of the local board logo
- Display the local board branding/banners on advertising or at events (evidence to be included in the accountability report).

Multi-board Grants

The Waitematā Local Board welcomes multi-board grant applications. However, the activity or initiative will need to clearly benefit the Waitematā community.

Investment Approach

The Waitematā Local Board has allocated budgets to support the local grants programme as follows:

Quick Response Grant
Minimum amount per grant: \$500.00
Maximum amount per grant: \$3,000.00
Local Grants and Multi-board Grant
Minimum amount per grant: \$3,000.00

Maximum amount per grant: \$10,000.00
Accommodation Grant
Minimum amount per grant: \$2,500.00
Maximum amount per grant: \$20,000.00

Note: Applicants that submit Multi-board applications will need to provide evidence of the community benefit to the Waitematā Local Board community.

Accommodation Grants

Community organisations can apply for accommodation grants to cover rental and/or lease payments, Auckland Council rates and regular, ongoing venue hire costs.

Accommodation Grant Criteria

- Applicants are a community organisation, as outlined in the Community Grants Policy.
- Accommodation costs applied for are for the following financial year starting 1 July.
- Evidence of the accommodation costs is provided.
- The organisation has been operating for a full financial year prior to the application date and must provide its last full year financial statements and/or audited accounts.
- The accommodation is located in and benefits the Waitematā Local Board area.
- If the applicant is requesting a grant for a venue that has an Auckland Council community lease or community occupancy agreement, the council's approval for the sub-lease or hireage needs to be verified by the applicant.

Accommodation Grant Exclusions

- Organisations that are the leaseholder of an Auckland Council community lease or community occupancy agreement.
- Hireage costs of a council managed venue or externally managed council facility.

What we won't fund

The following activities will not be funded:

- Debt servicing or repayments
- Legal expenses
- Activities that promote religious ministry or political purposes
- Medical expenses
- Public services that are the responsibility of central government, e.g., core education, primary health care
- Physical works, e.g., improvements to community buildings – that require consents or permits, prior to the necessary consents or permits being obtained (grants may be awarded in principle, but funds will not be released until all conditions are satisfied)
- Purchase of alcohol.

For more information, please refer to the [Community Grants Policy 2014](#) 'scope and eligibility' for general eligibility criteria:

- Ineligible applicants – Page 22, Paragraph 78
- What we won't fund – Page 24, Paragraphs 84-86

Application Dates

Table 1 – Local Grants

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Local Grant Round one	17 July 2023	25 August 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023
Local Grant Round two	22 January 2024	22 March 2024	21 May 2024	1 June 2024

Table 2 – Quick Response Grants

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Quick Response Round one	09 October 2023	03 November 2023	12 December 2023	31 December 2023
Quick Response Round two	22 April 2024	17 May 2024	18 June 2024	1 July 2024

Table 3 – Multi-board Grants

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Multi-board Grant Round one	03 July 2023	01 September 2023	17 October 2023	1 November 2023

Table 3 – Accommodation Grant

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Accommodation Grant Round one	22 January 2024	16 March 2024	21 May 2024	1 June 2024

Auckland Council disclaims any liability whatsoever in connection with any action taken in reliance of this document for any error, deficiency, flaw or omission contained in it.
© 2021 Auckland Council